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GUNSMITH CATS

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BURST

RALLY VINCENT AND MINNIE-MAY

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Rally and Minnie-May are two teen girls running a weapons shop in Chicago . . . but they have a side business as bounty hunters! Though their main task is to hunt down runaway criminals with bounty on their heads, they somehow always end up undertaking risky jobs and getting themselves into major messes!

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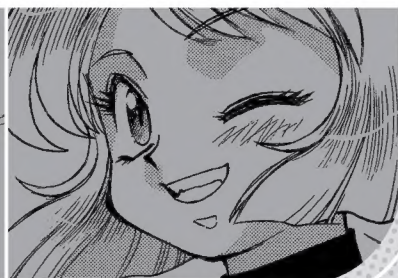
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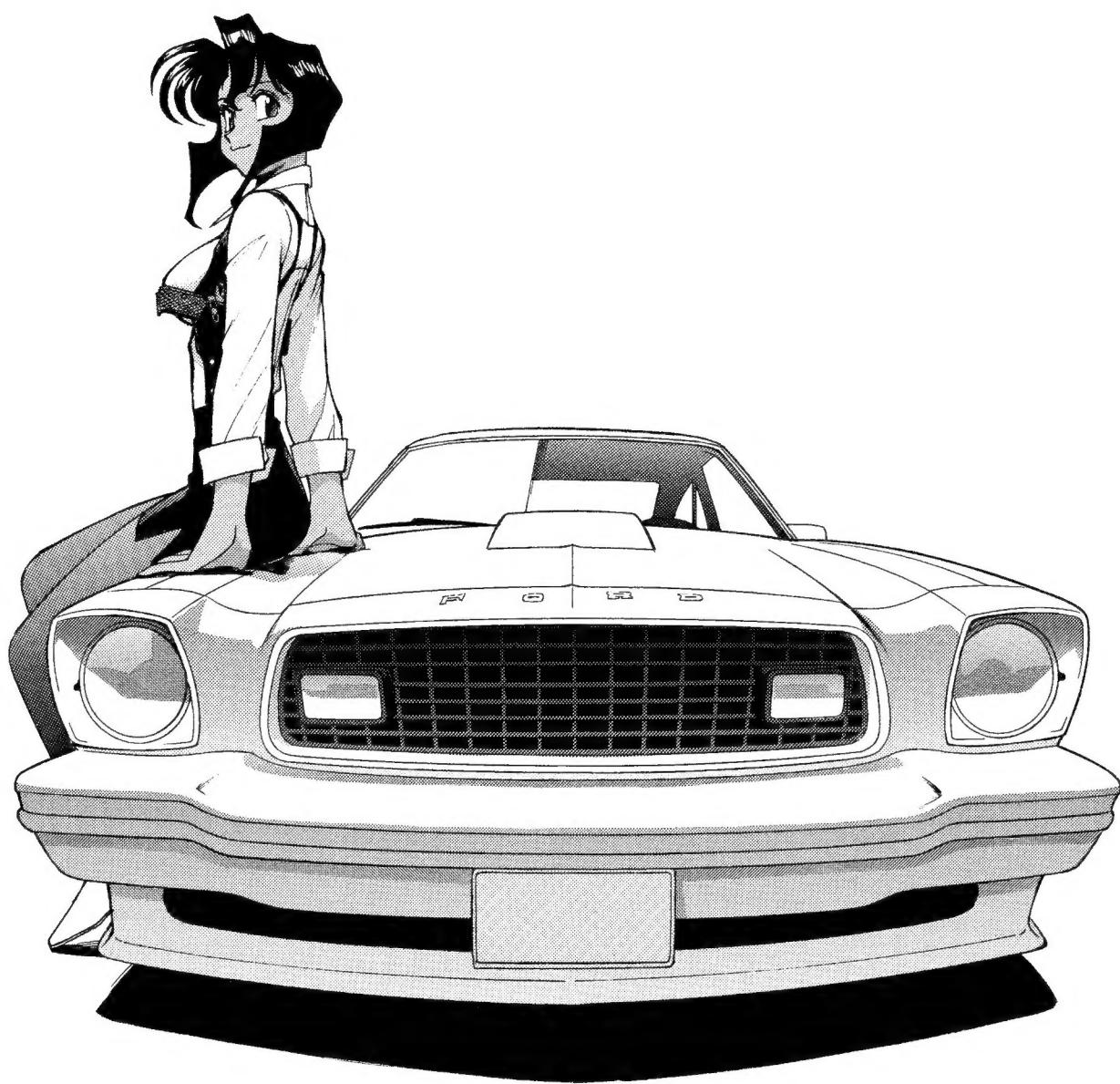
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CHAPTER 17 KING COBRA



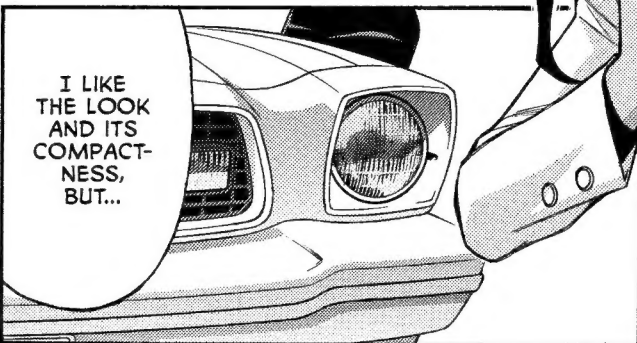


IT
SEEMS TO
BE IN
GREAT
SHAPE.

A
MUSTANG
COBRA II,
HUH?

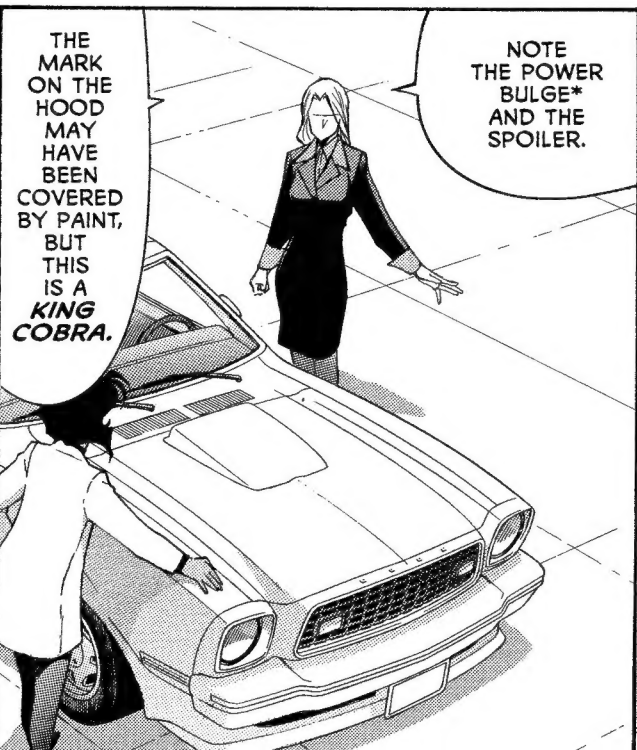


I LIKE
THE LOOK
AND ITS
COMPACT-
NESS,
BUT...

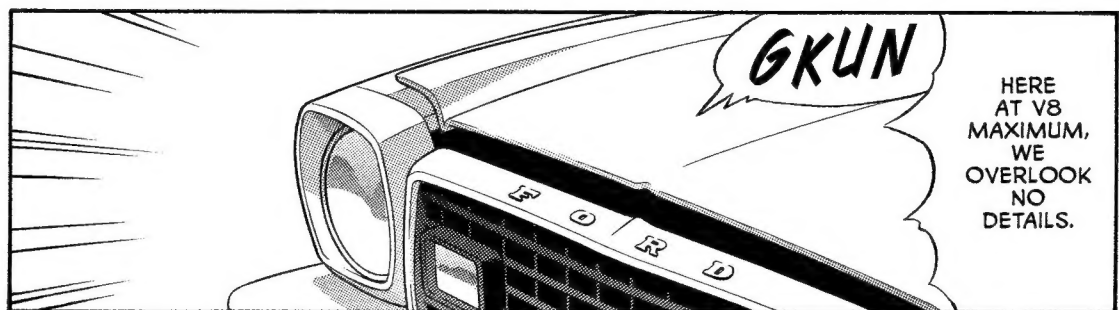
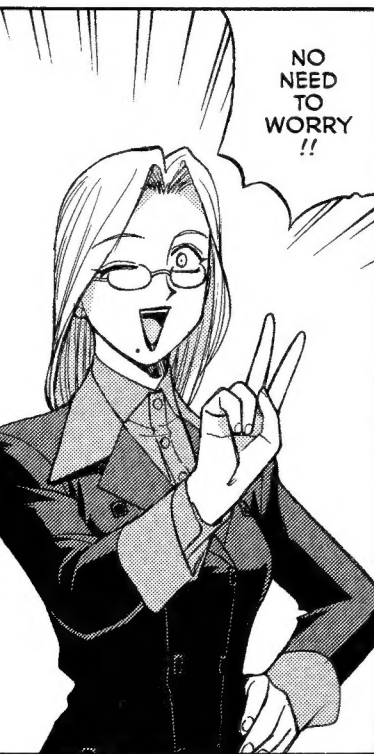
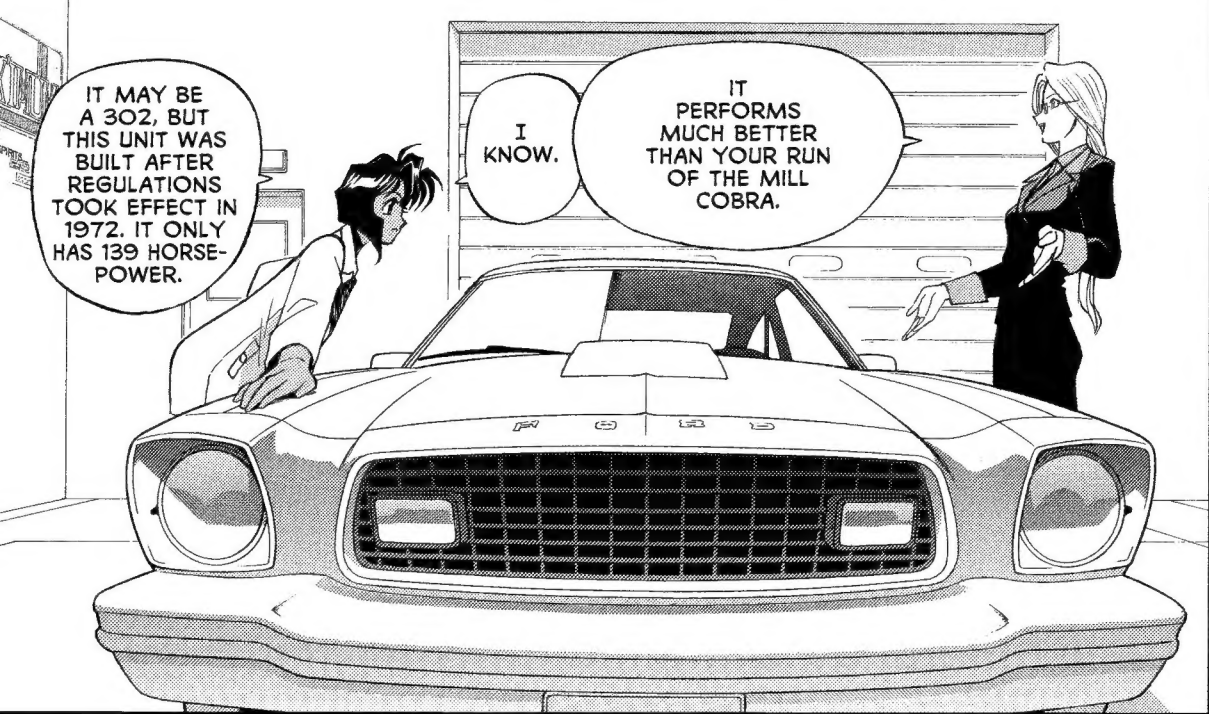


NOTE
THE POWER
BULGE*
AND THE
SPOILER.

THE
MARK
ON THE
HOOD
MAY
HAVE
BEEN
COVERED
BY PAINT,
BUT
THIS
IS A
**KING
COBRA.**

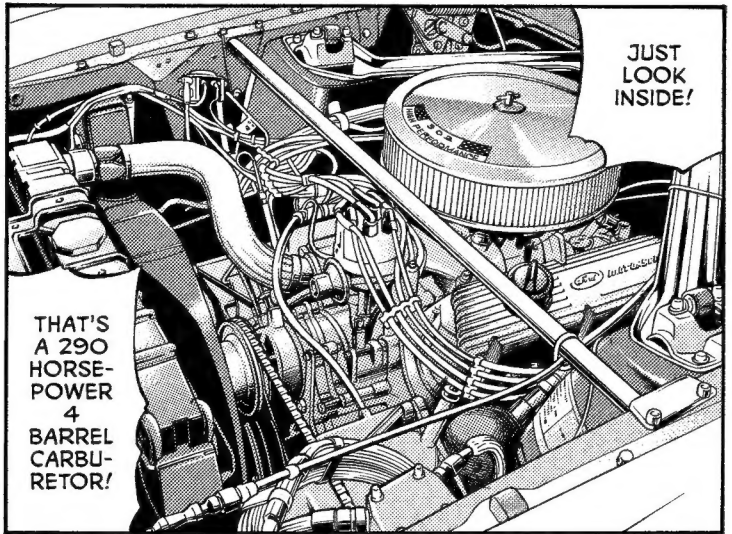


*PART OF THE HOOD THAT JUTS OUT TO ACCOMMODATE
THE LARGER ENGINE AND OTHER PARTS.





WOW!
♥



JUST
LOOK
INSIDE!

THAT'S
A 290 HORSE-
POWER
4
BARREL CARBU-
RETOR!

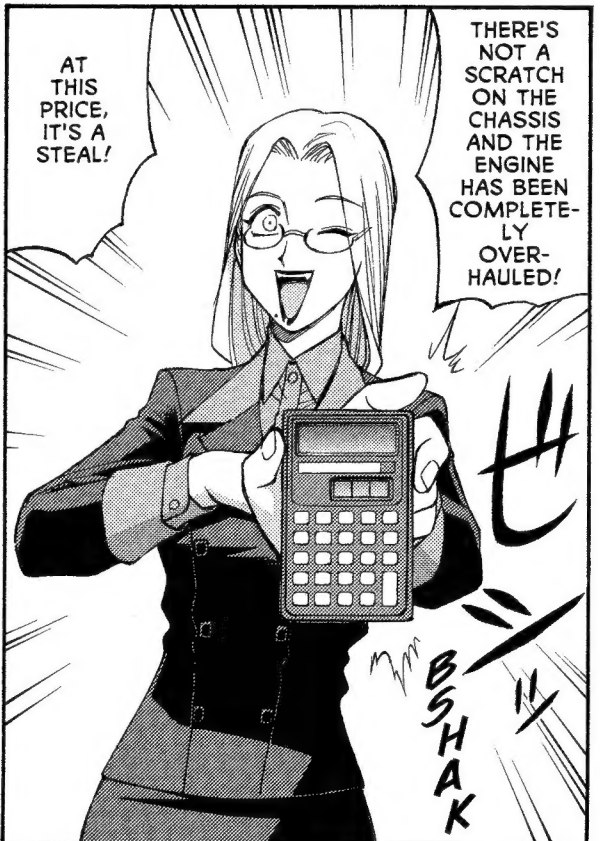


IT'S
BEEN
OUTFITTED
WITH A
1970
BOSS
302.



HUH?

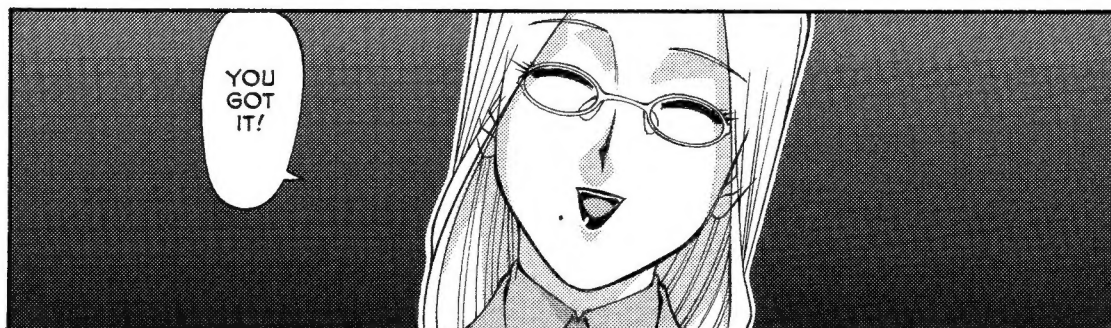
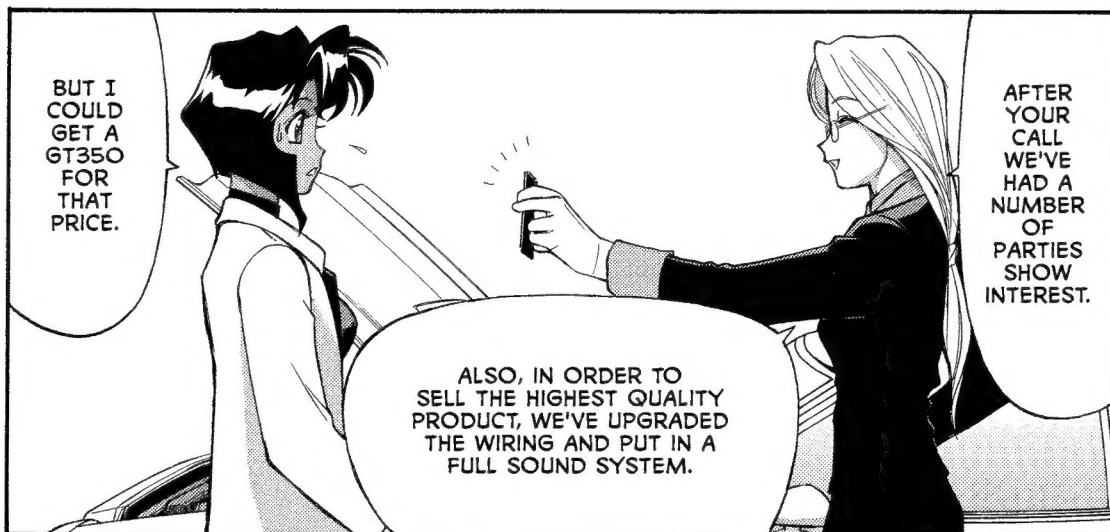
THAT'S
A BIT
MORE
THAN
YOU SAID
ON THE
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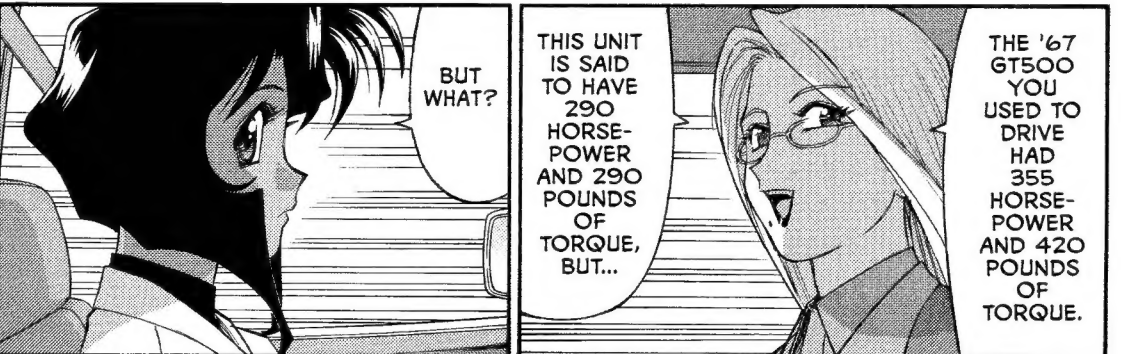
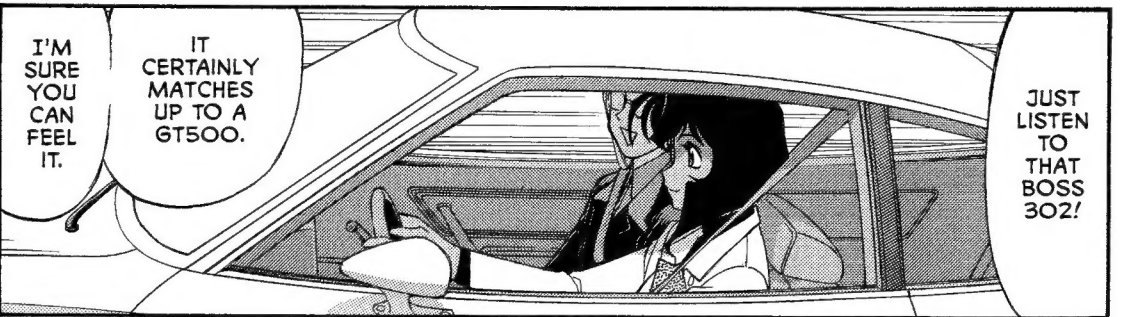
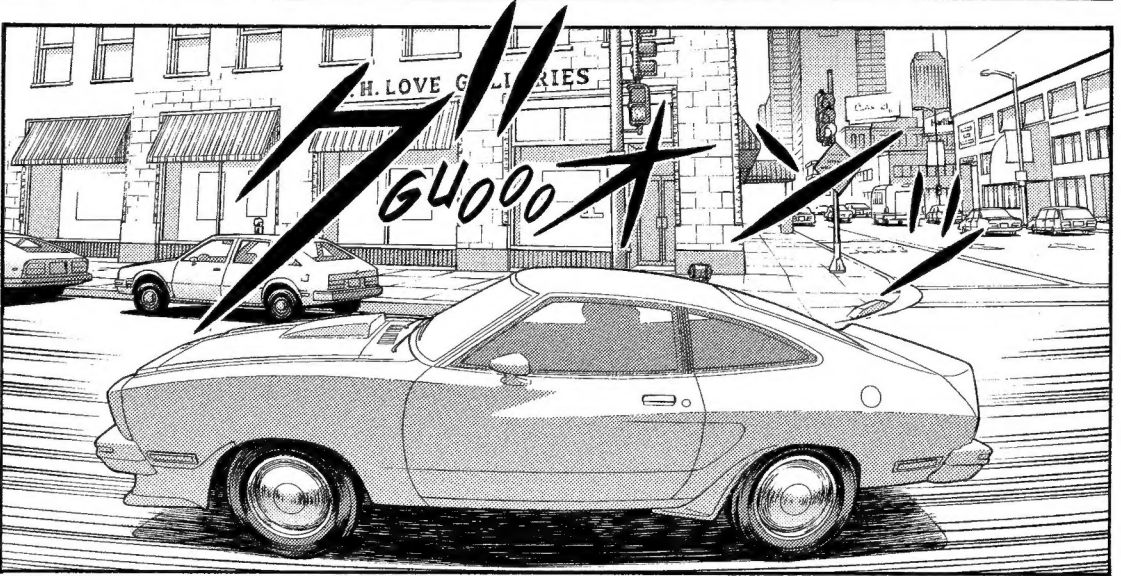


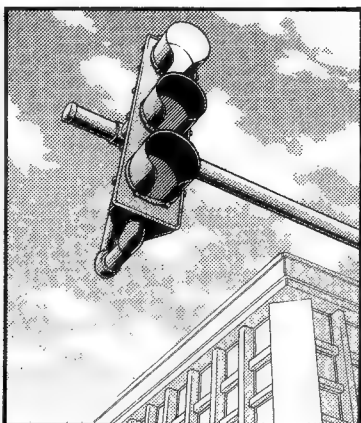
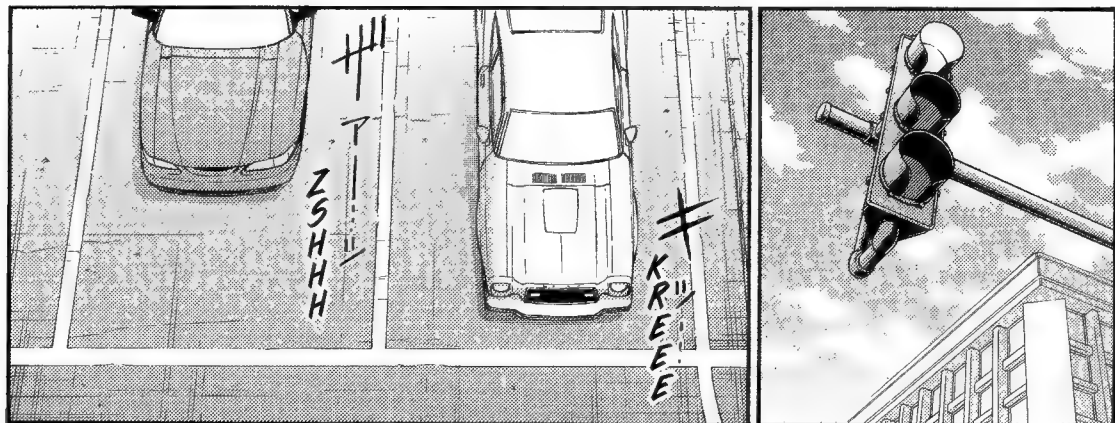
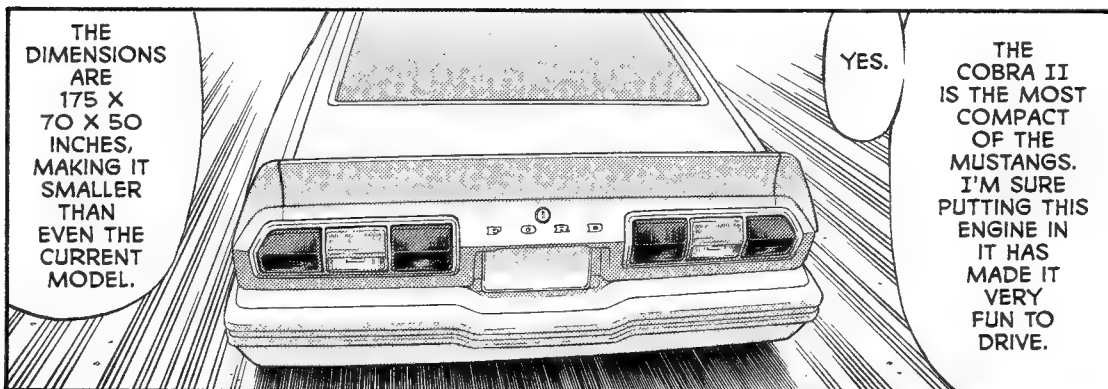
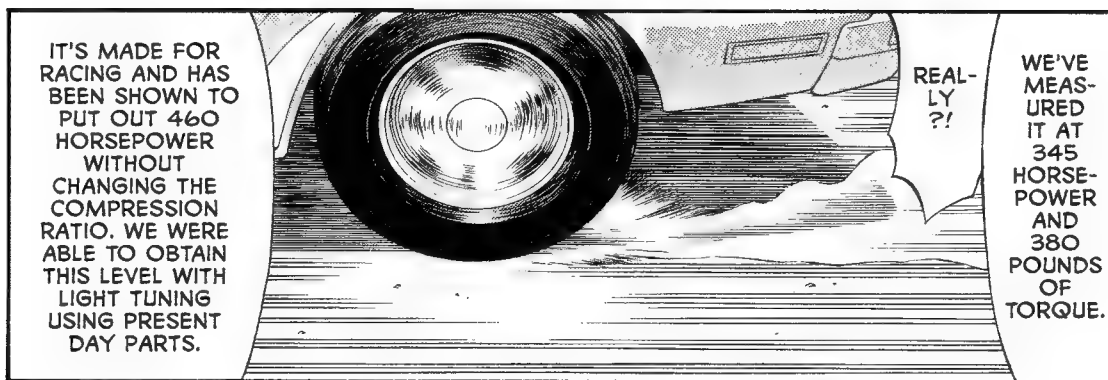
AT
THIS
PRICE,
IT'S A
STEAL!

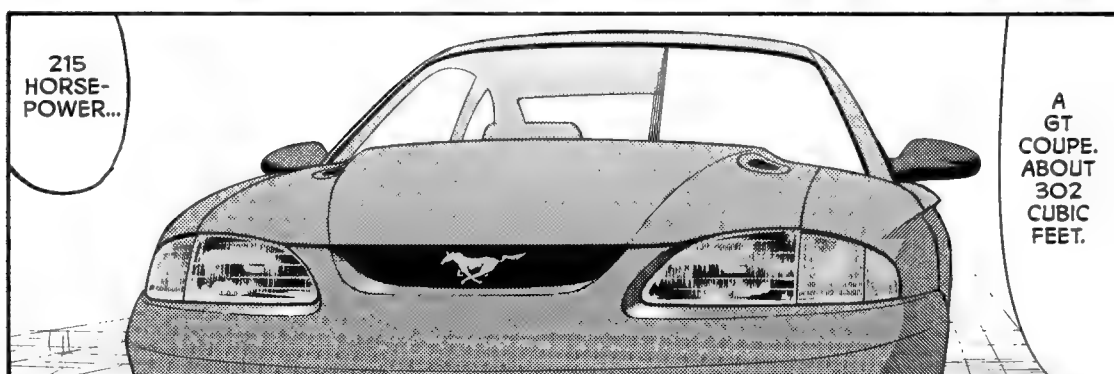
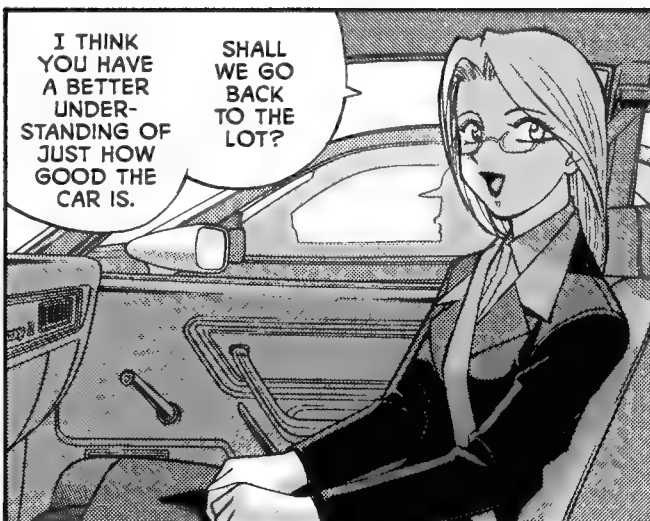
THERE'S
NOT A
SCRATCH
ON THE
CHASSIS
AND THE
ENGINE
HAS BEEN
COMPLETE-
LY
OVER-
HAULED!

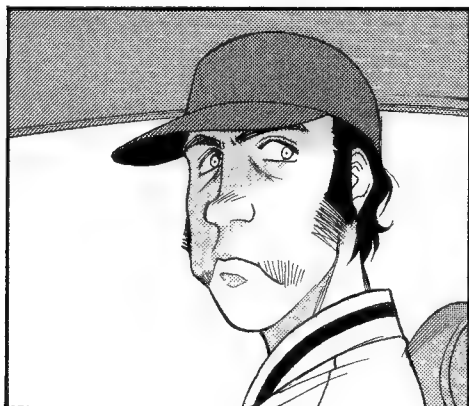
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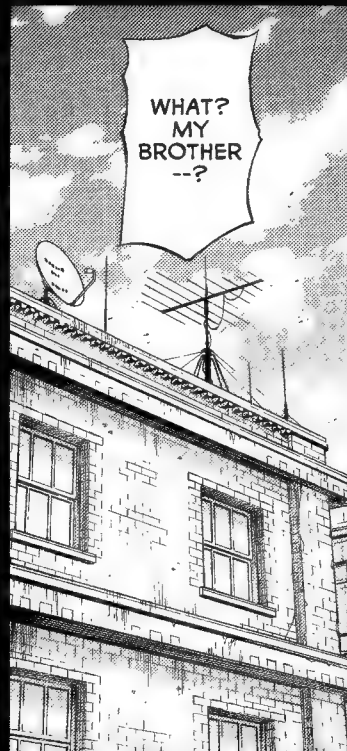




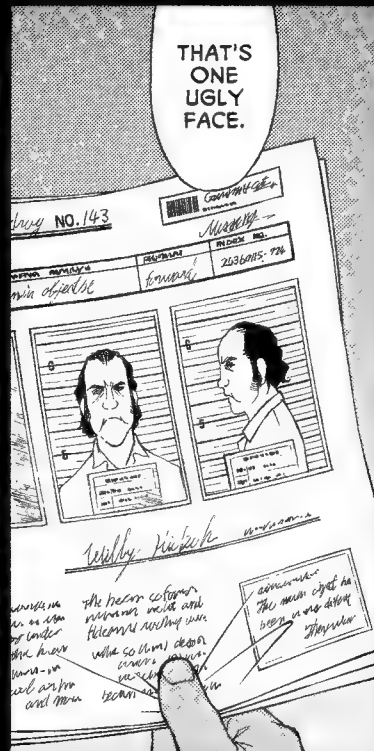


I WAS COUNTING ON HIS HELP WHEN I ESCAPED.

I CAN'T BELIEVE HE WAS CAUGHT BY A FEMALE BOUNTY HUNTER.



WHAT? MY BROTHER --?



THAT'S ONE UGLY FACE.



SHE'S THE ONE WHO GOT HIM, LEAVING HIS WIFE TO CARE FOR THEIR CHILD ALONE.

RALLY VINCENT.

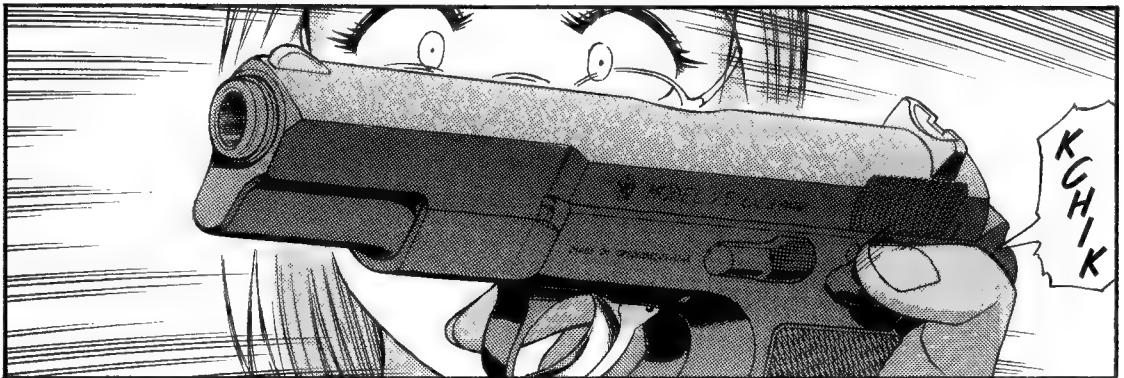
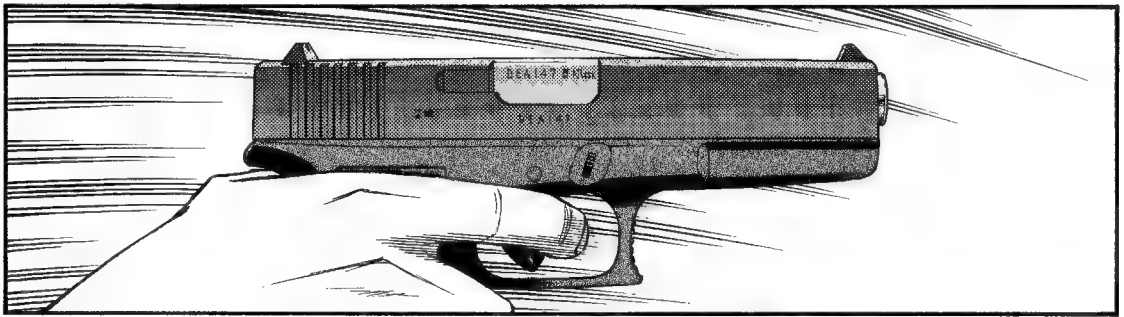
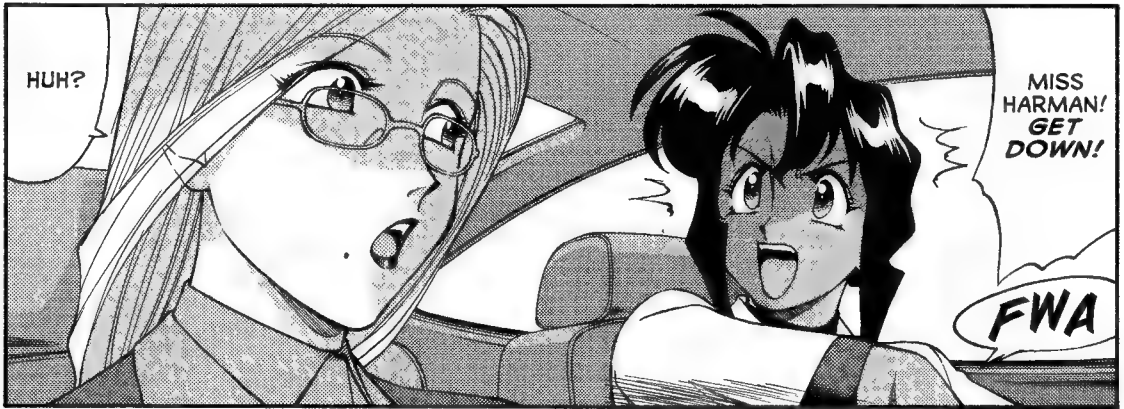


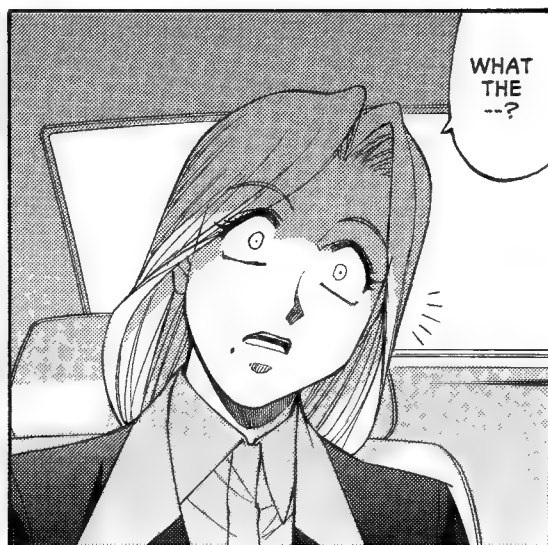
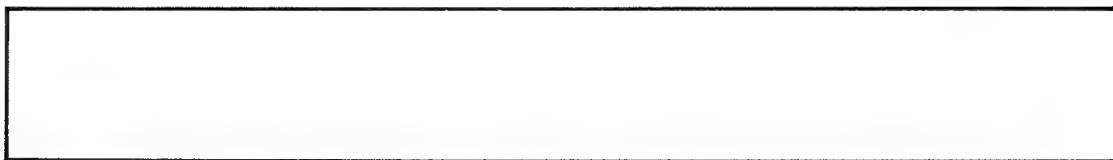
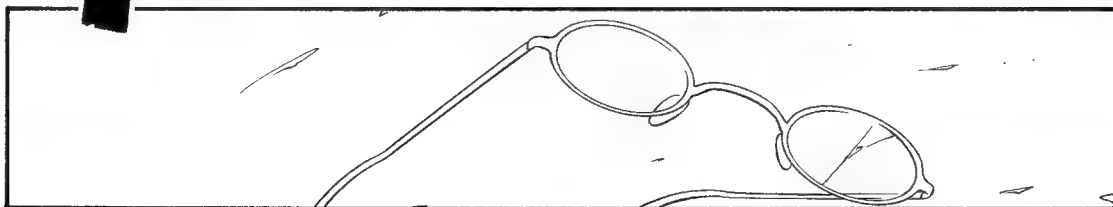
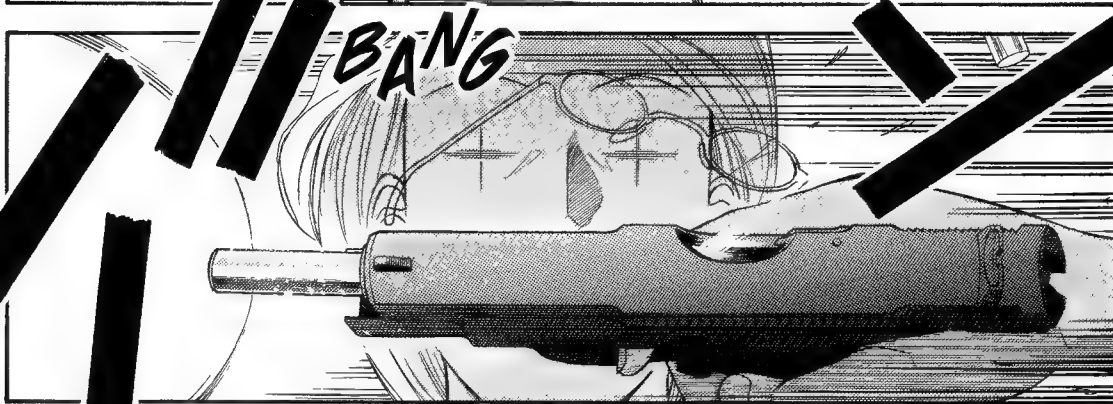
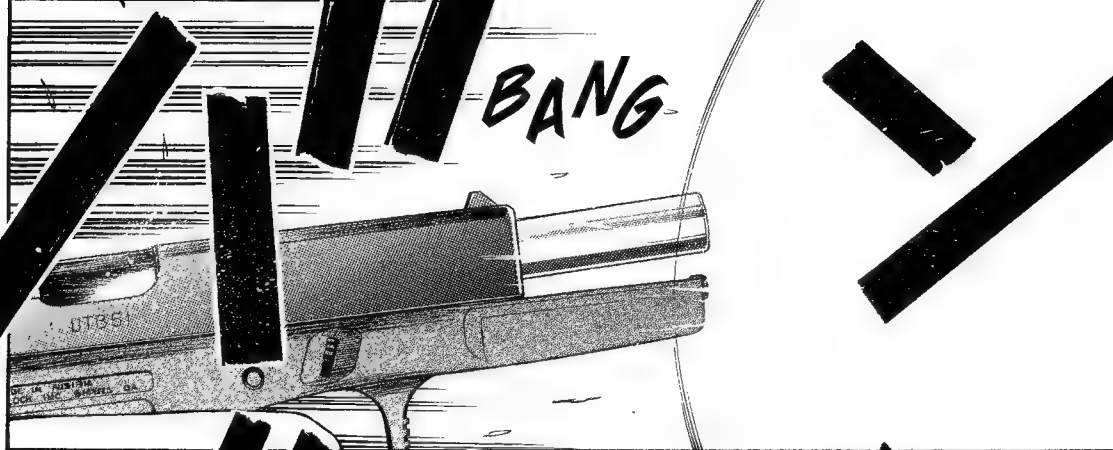
I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE POLICE AGAIN.

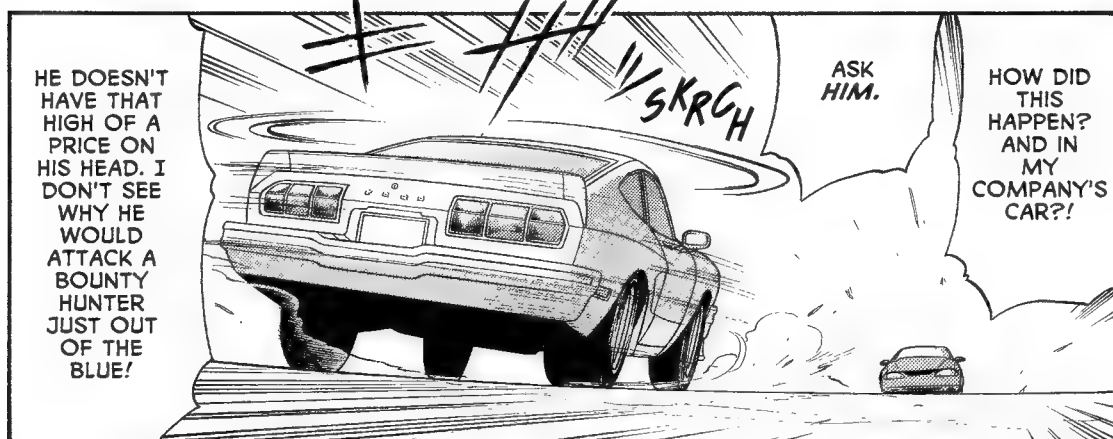
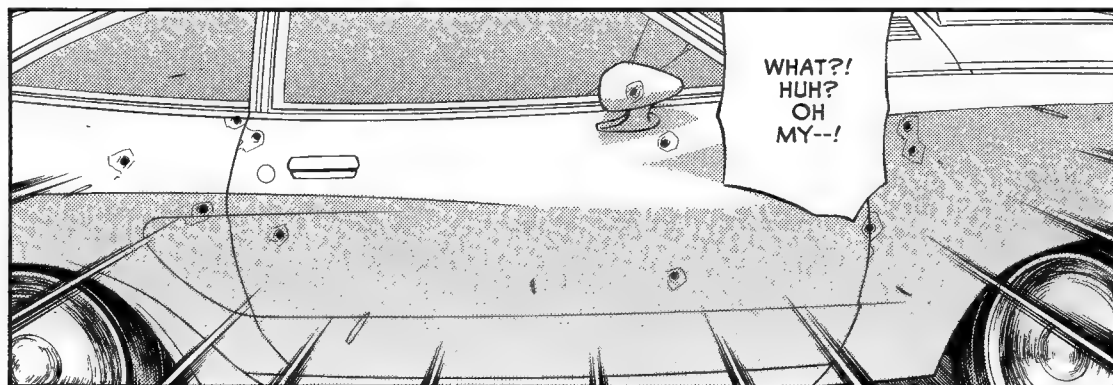
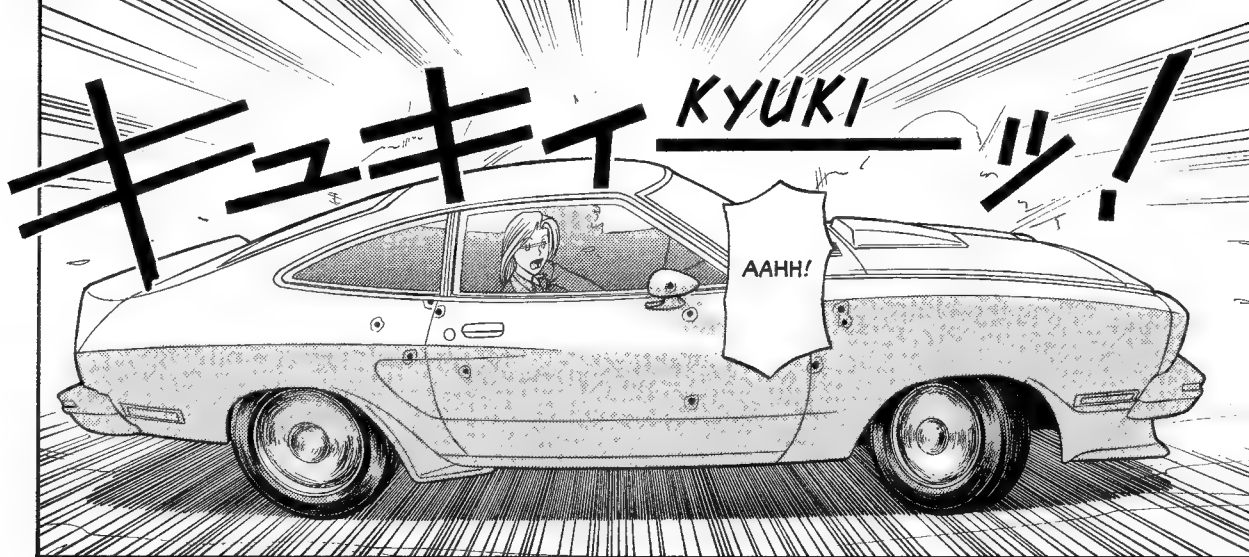
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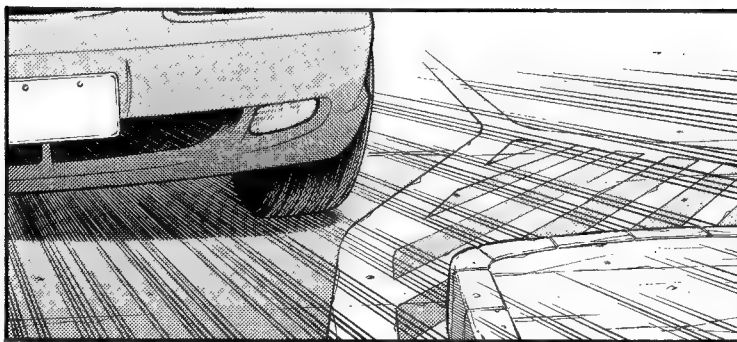


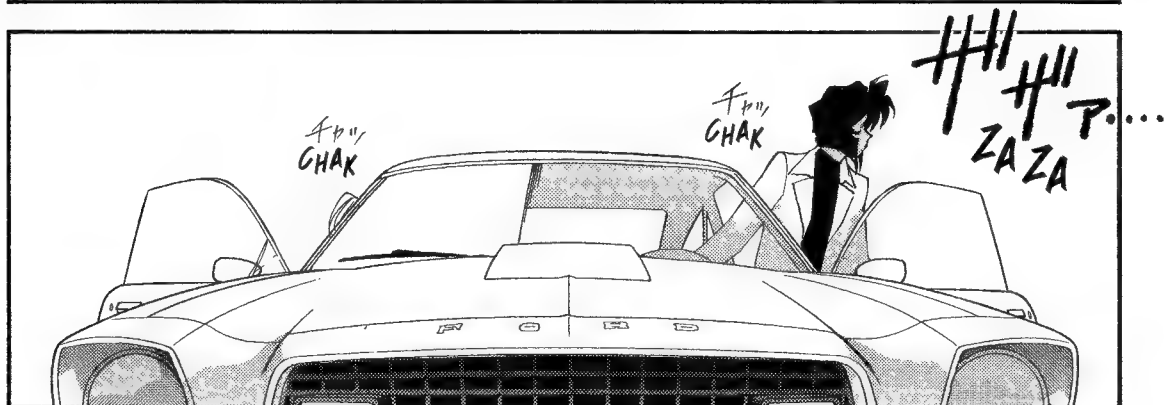
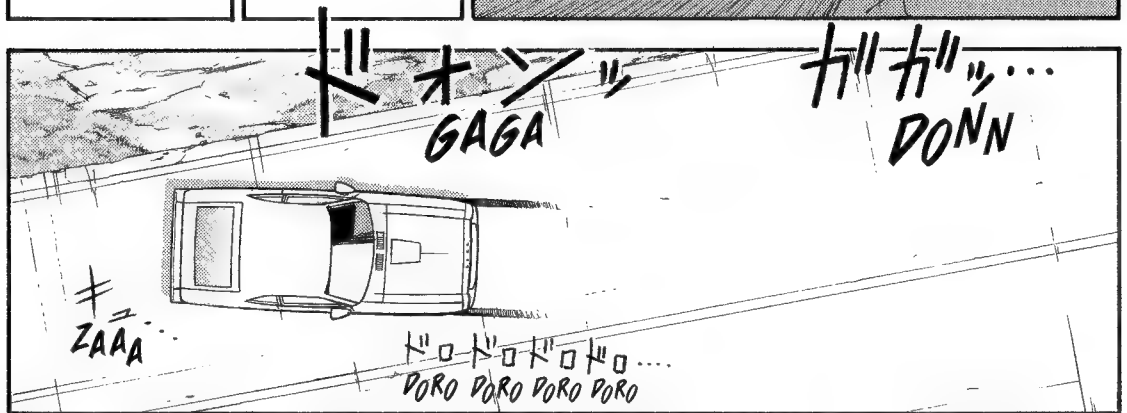
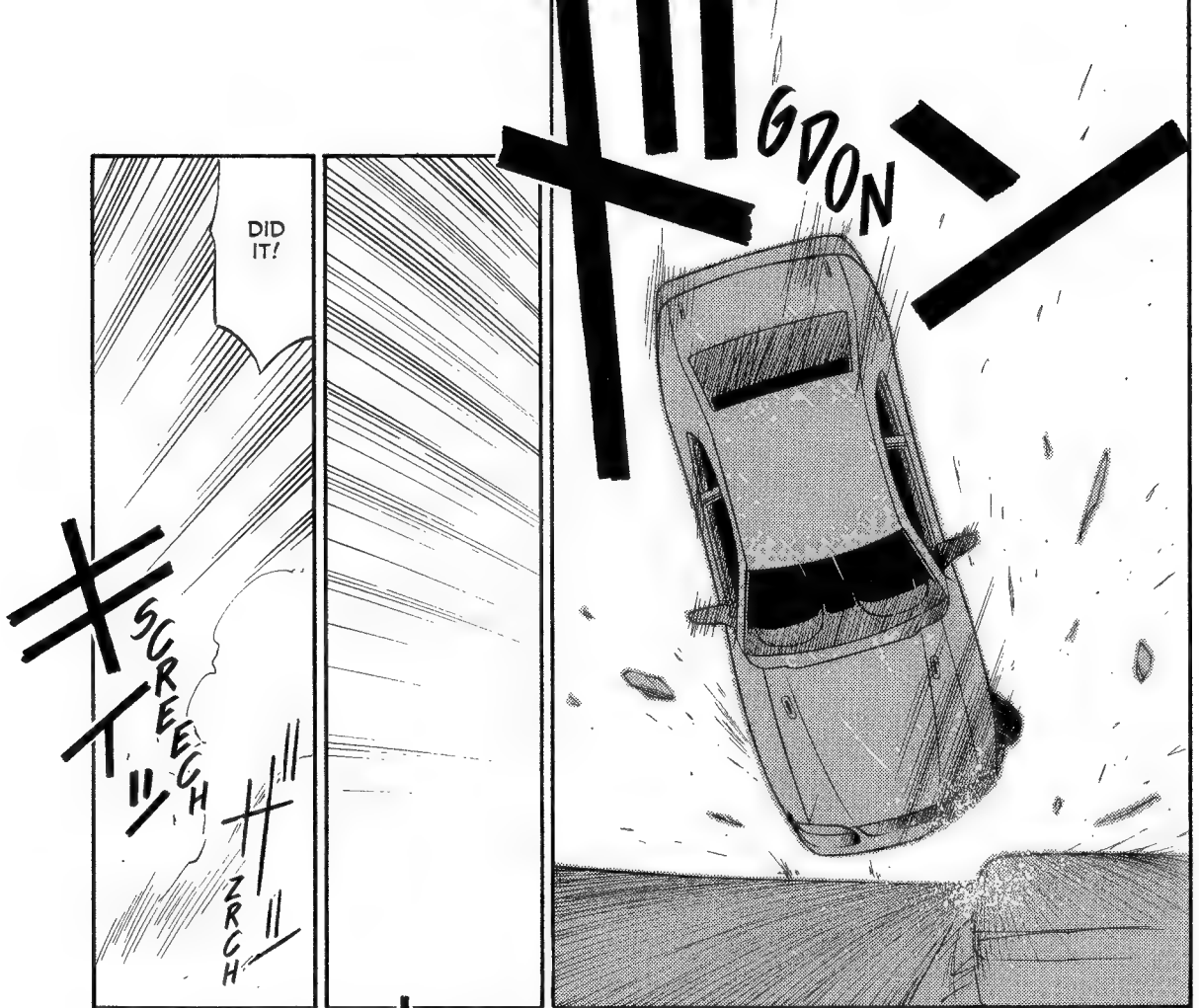
HOW CAN YOU PUT UP WITH IT?

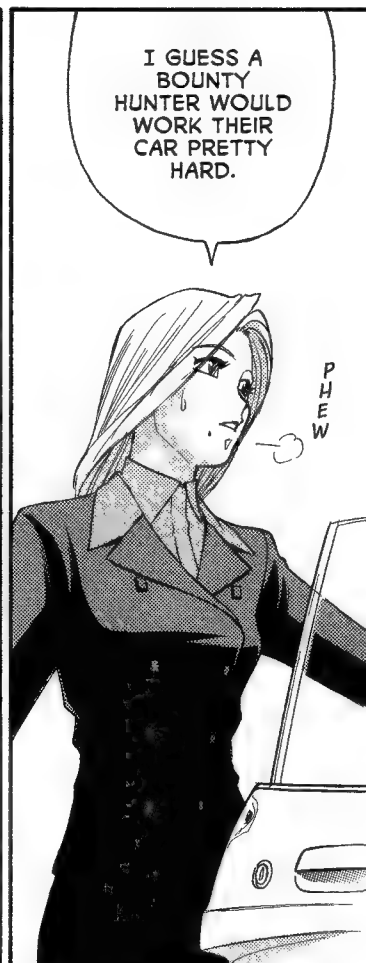
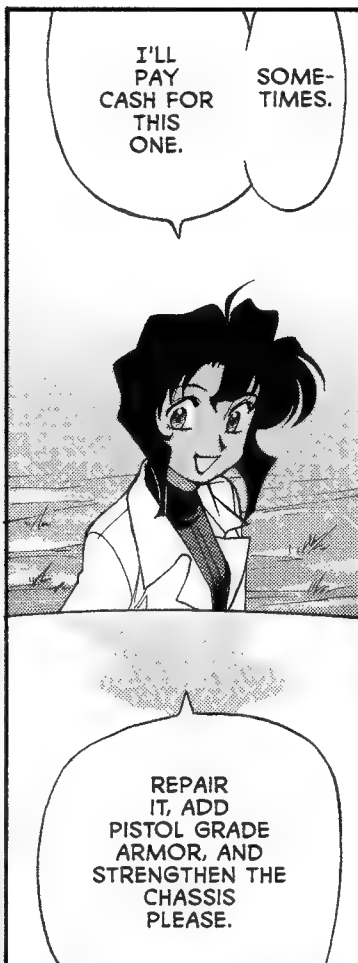
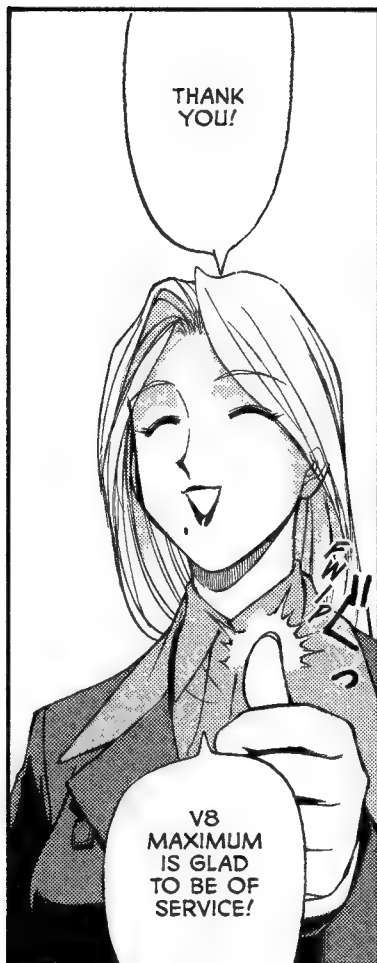


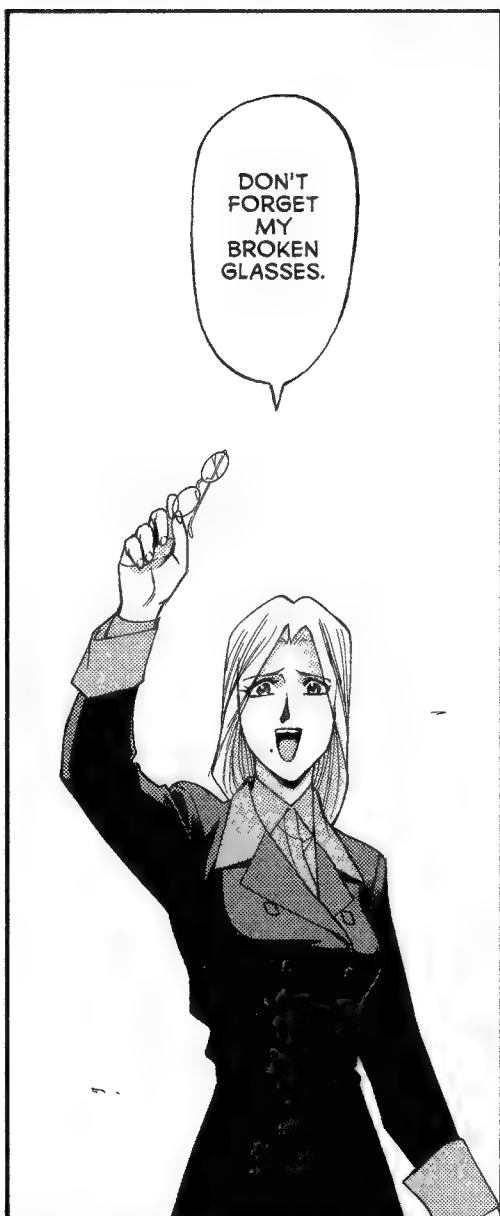
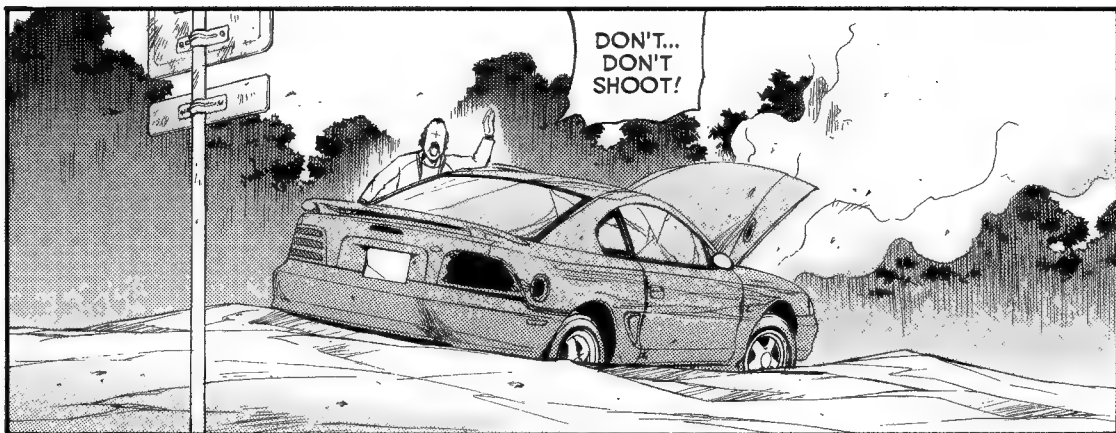






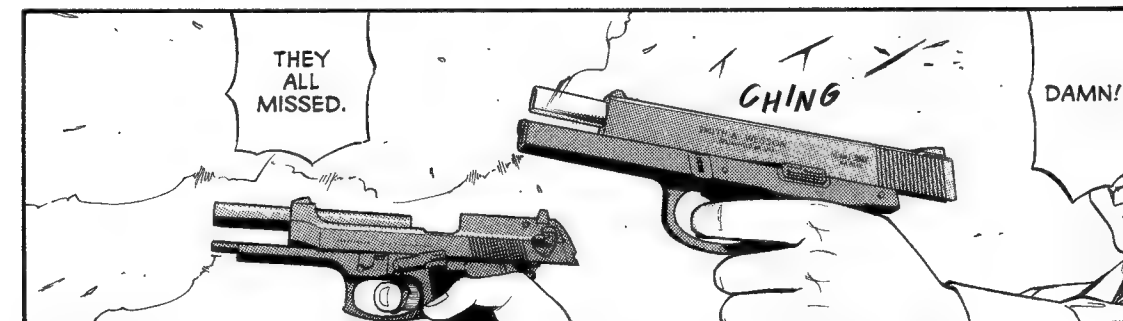
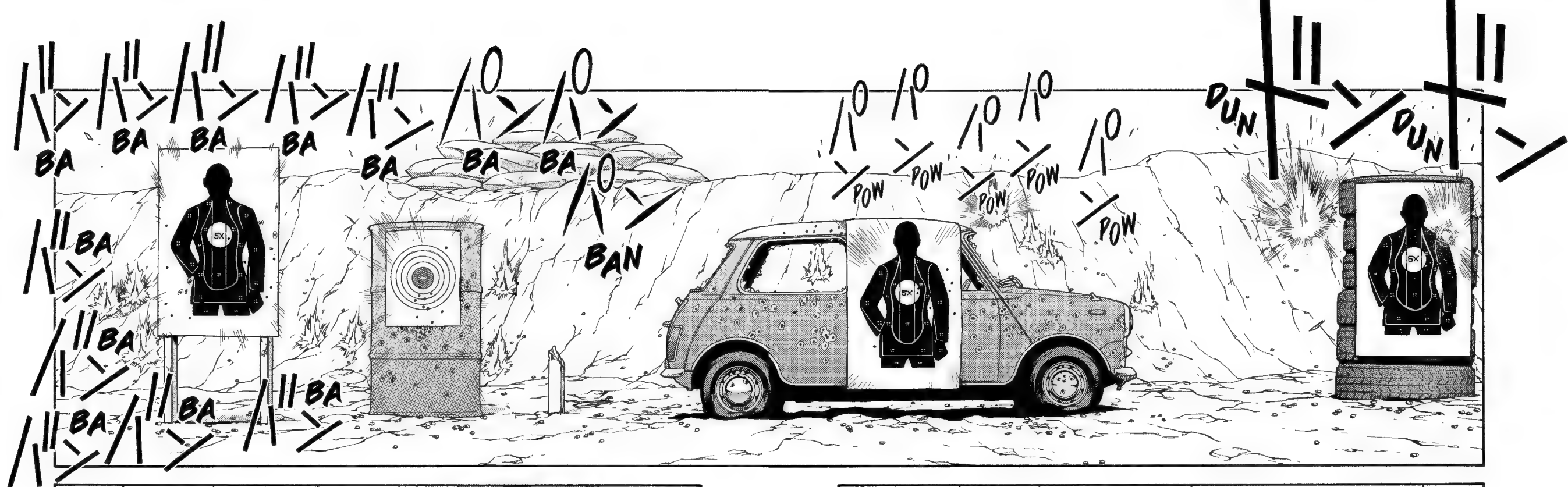


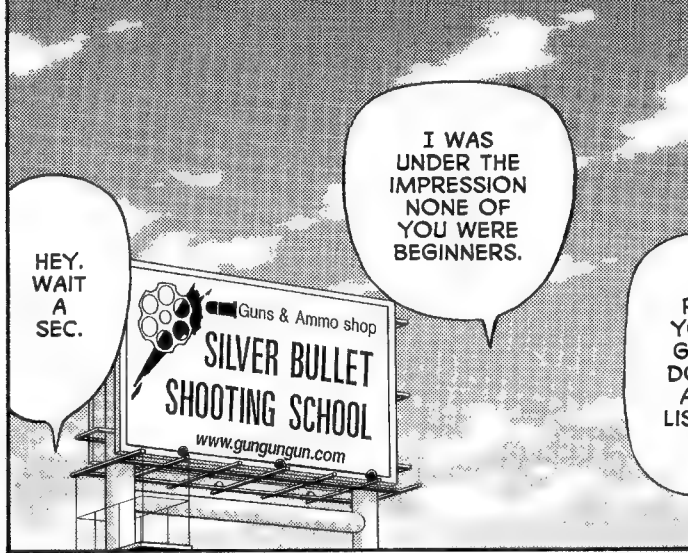


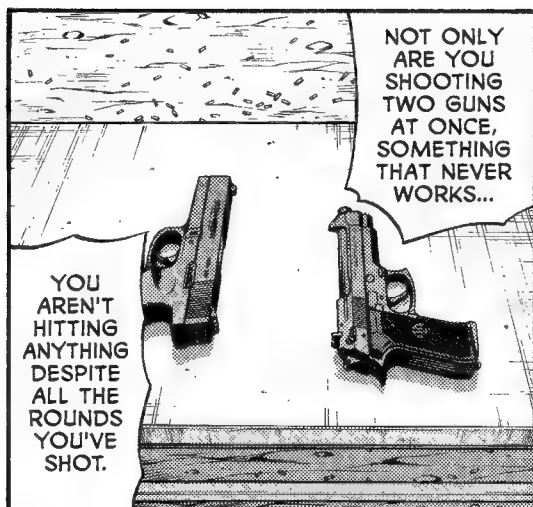


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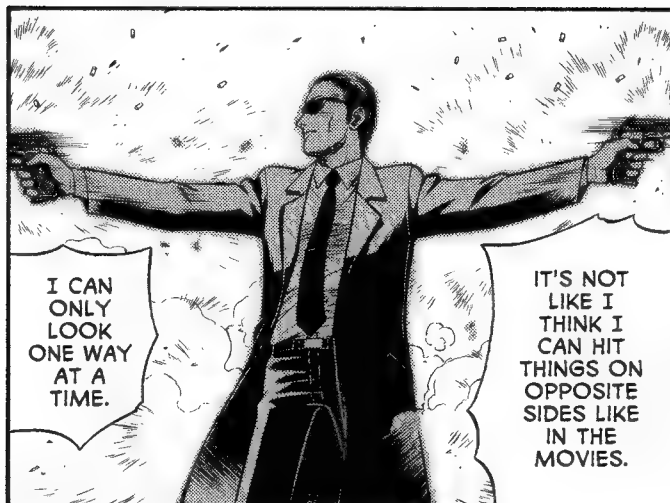






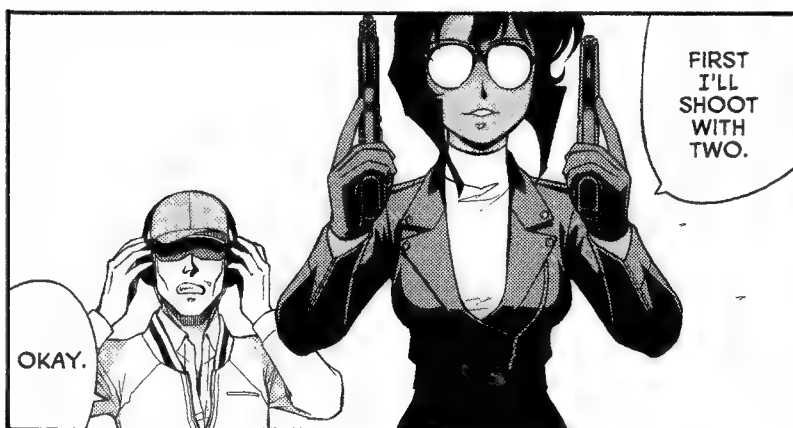
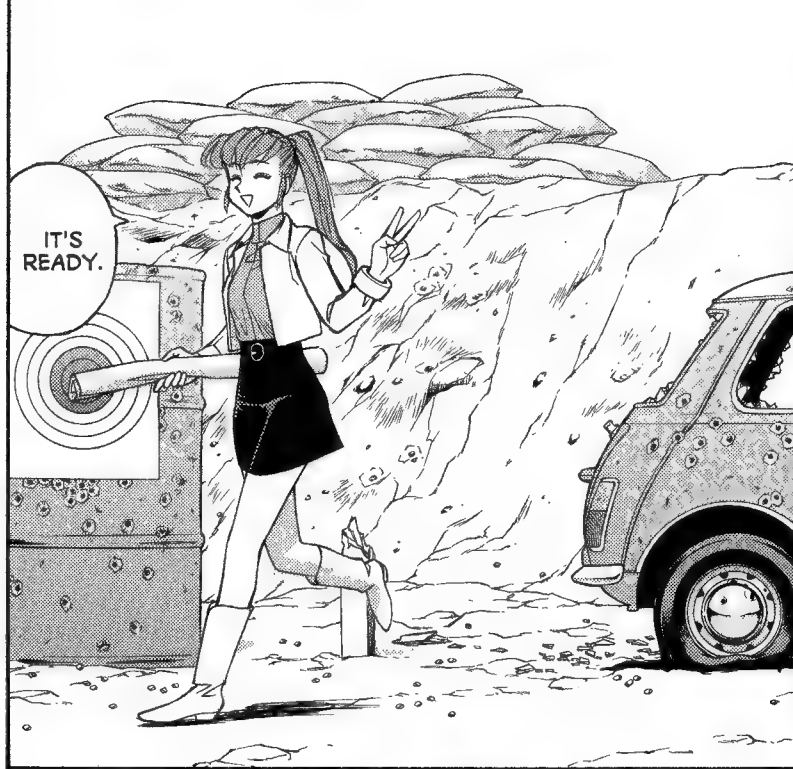


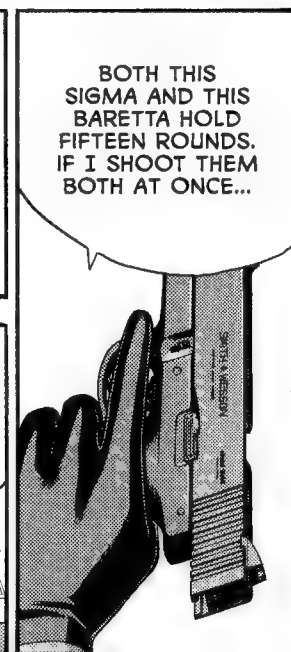
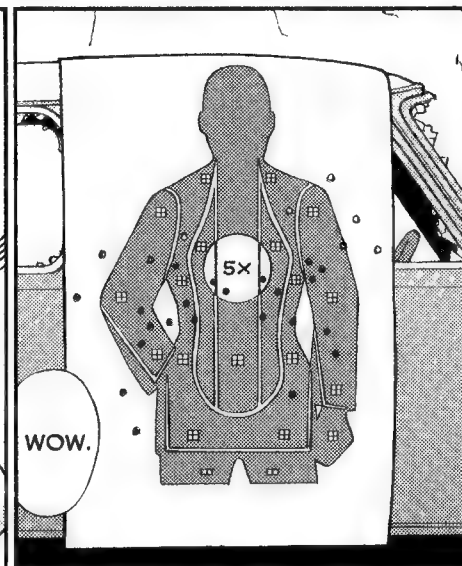
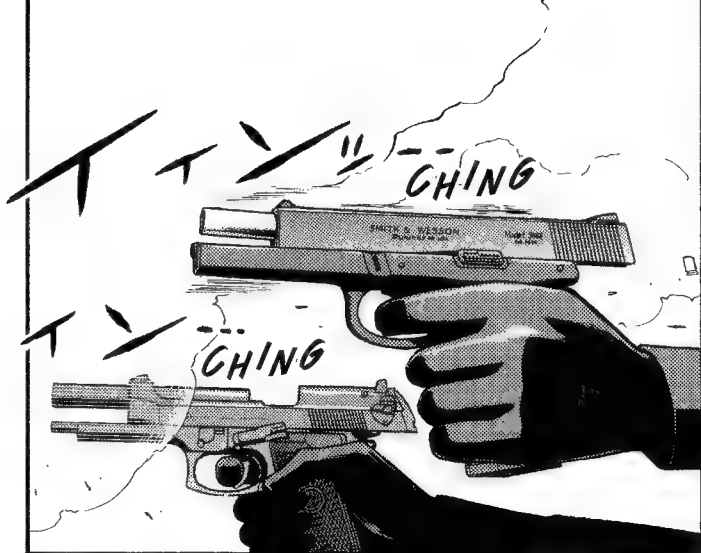
NOT ONLY
ARE YOU
SHOOTING
TWO GUNS
AT ONCE,
SOMETHING
THAT NEVER
WORKS...

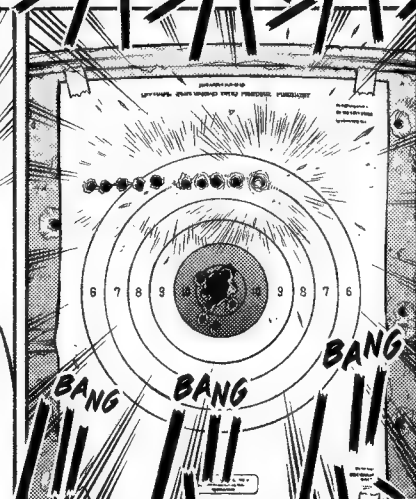


IT'S NOT
LIKE I
THINK I
CAN HIT
THINGS ON
OPPOSITE
SIDES LIKE
IN THE
MOVIES.











THE EMPTY CARTRIDGES AND FLAMES COMING OUT OF A SUBMACHINE GUN LOOK PARTICULARLY NICE ON THE SCREEN.

WHEN YOU SEE THEM SHOOTING TWO GUNS AT ONCE IN A MOVIE, IT'S DONE JUST FOR THE EFFECT.



HERE'S HOW.

SURE. BACK IN THE OLD WEST TWO GUNS COULD BE VERY EFFECTIVE.



...THEY SAY FAMOUS GUNFIGHTERS IN THE PAST USED TWO GUNS AT ONCE.

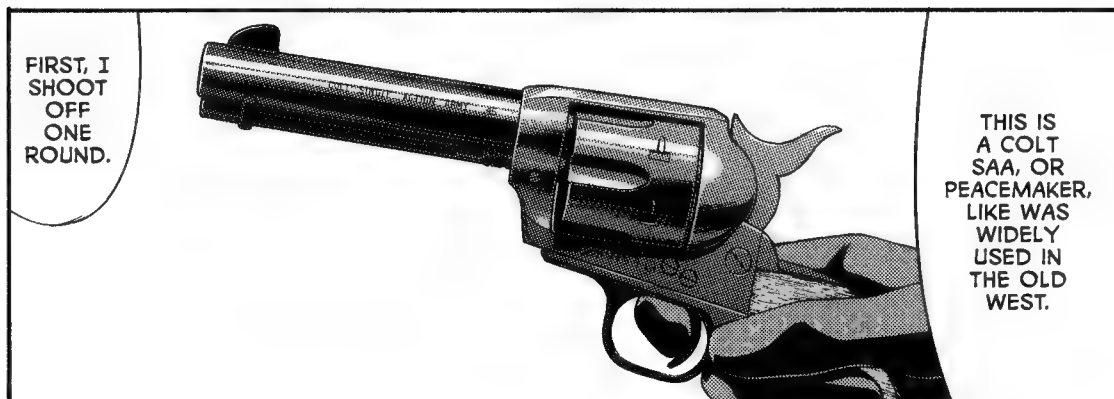
UM, BUT...

THAT'S TRUE. THAT'S WHAT THE STORIES SAY.



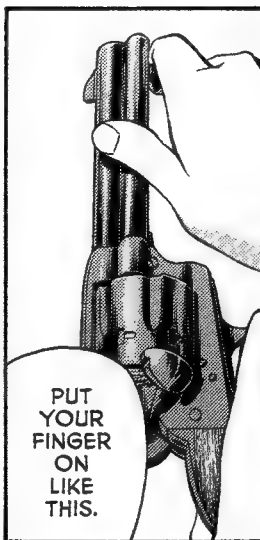
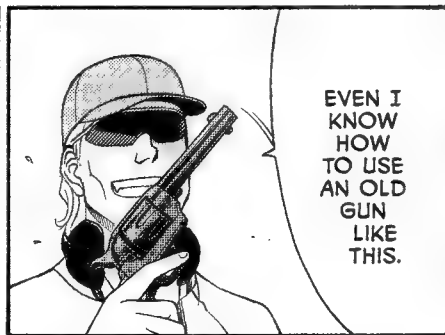
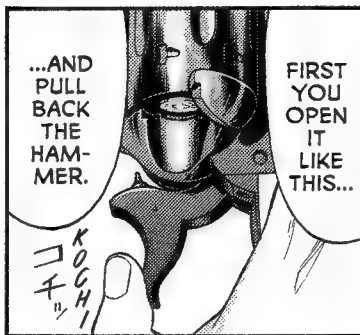
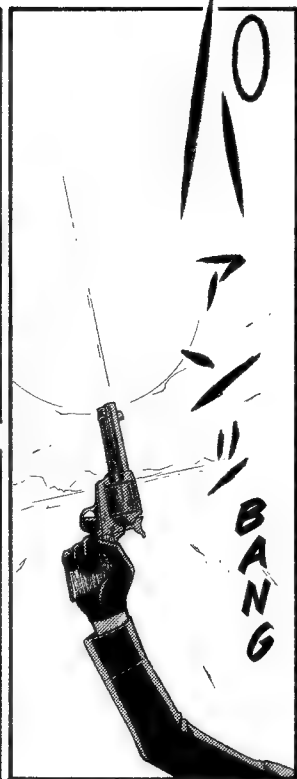
RIGHT AWAY.

MISTY! BRING AN SAA AND SOME AMMO.

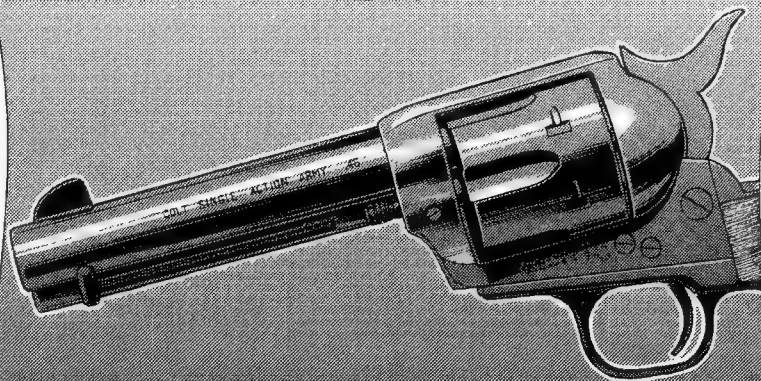


FIRST, I SHOOT OFF ONE ROUND.

THIS IS A COLT SAA, OR PEACEMAKER, LIKE WAS WIDELY USED IN THE OLD WEST.

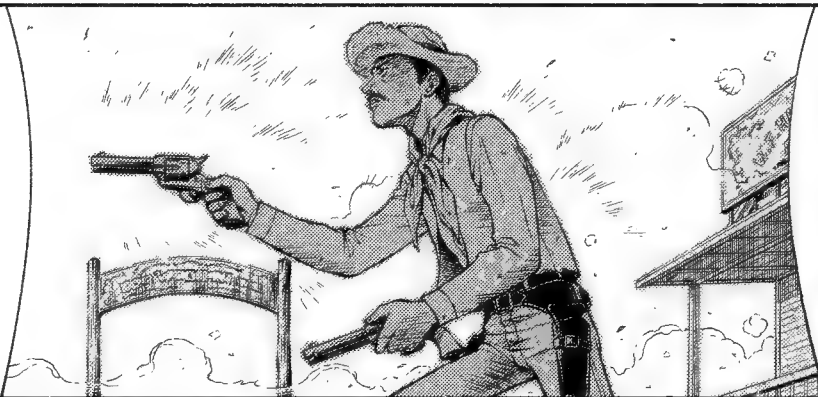


AND IF
YOUR
GUNPOWDER
AND
AMMO HAD
DIFFERENT
PERCUSSION
TYPES, IT
COULD
TAKE UP
TO NINETY
SECONDS.



NO
MATTER
HOW
FAST
YOU
WERE,
IT
WOULD
TAKE AT
LEAST
10
SECONDS
TO
RELOAD.

BUT, OF
COURSE,
YOU
WOULD
SHOOT
ONE AND
THEN
SWITCH
TO THE
OTHER.



SINCE YOU
COULD
GET OFF
TWICE AS
MANY
SHOTS
AT ONCE,
IT WAS
BETTER
TO CARRY
TWO
GUNS IN
THOSE
DAYS.

...AS A
BACKUP.



LIKE WHEN A
CRIMINAL FORCES
YOU TO PUT
DOWN YOUR
OTHER GUN.

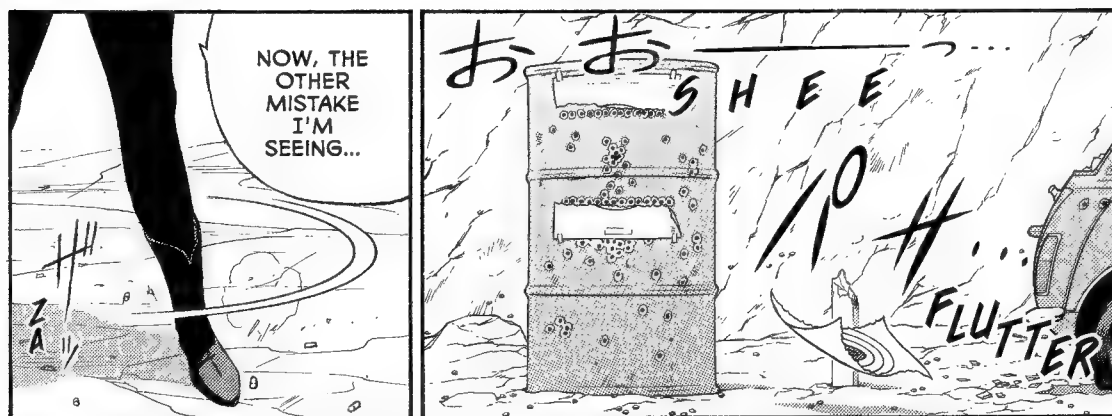
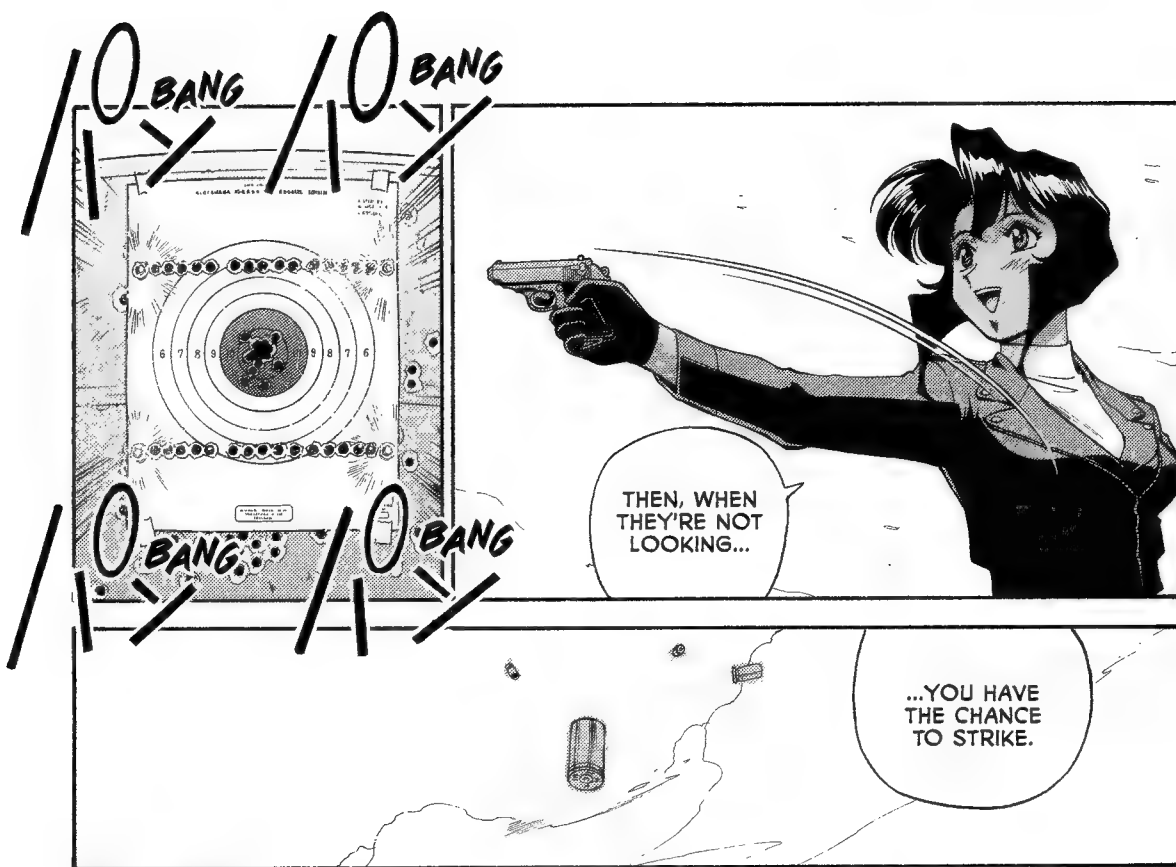
ONE
CAN BE
USED...

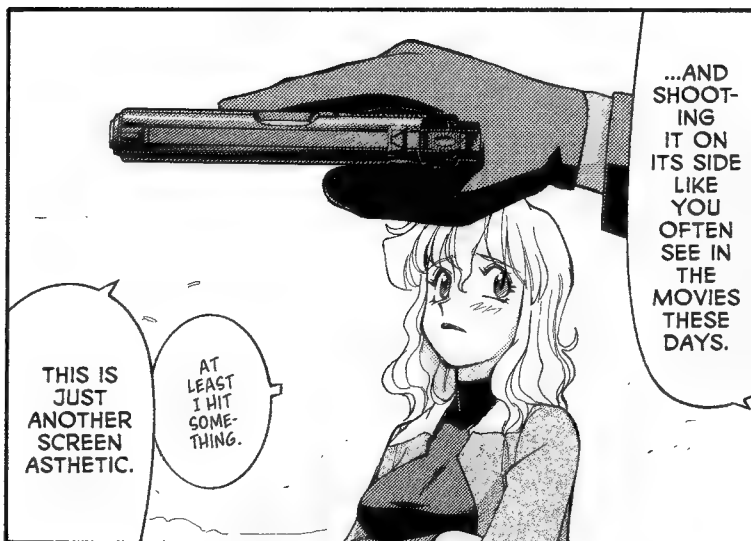


DOES THAT
MEAN
THERE'S NO
REASON
TO HAVE
TWO GUNS?

NO, A SEC-
OND MAY
STILL BE
NECESSARY,
JUST FOR
ANOTHER
REASON.



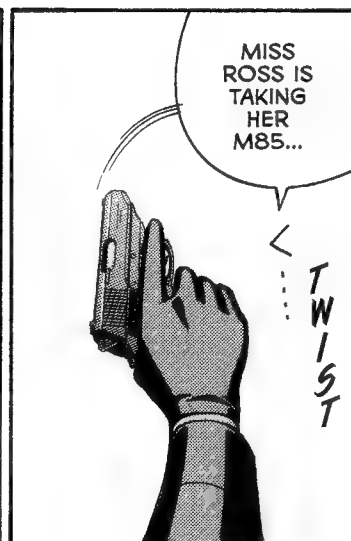




THIS IS JUST ANOTHER SCREEN ASTHETIC.

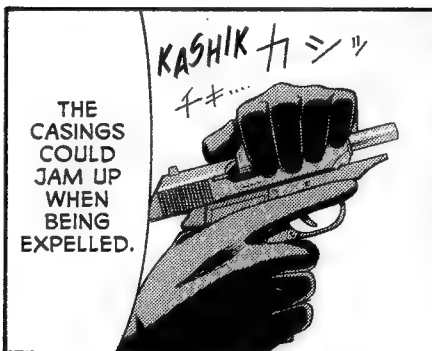
AT LEAST I HIT SOMETHING.

...AND SHOOTING IT ON ITS SIDE LIKE YOU OFTEN SEE IN THE MOVIES THESE DAYS.



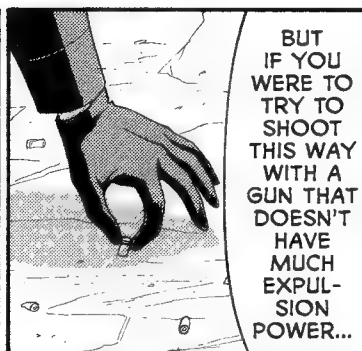
MISS ROSS IS TAKING HER M85...

TWIST

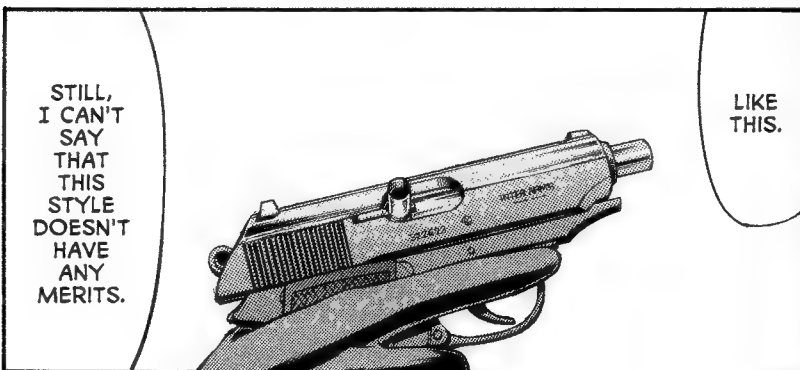


THE CASINGS COULD JAM UP WHEN BEING EXPELLED.

KASHIK カシッ
カキ...



BUT IF YOU WERE TO TRY TO SHOOT THIS WAY WITH A GUN THAT DOESN'T HAVE MUCH EXPULSION POWER...



STILL, I CAN'T SAY THAT THIS STYLE DOESN'T HAVE ANY MERITS.

LIKE THIS.



IT LOOKS COOL WHEN THE EMPTY CASES FLY UP INTO THE AIR...

...AND YOU GET A BETTER VIEW OF THE ACTOR'S FACE IN THE FRAME.



HUH?

MR. SHOEMAKER. WOULD YOU PLEASE THROW ONE OF THOSE EMPTY CANS STRAIGHT UP INTO THE AIR?

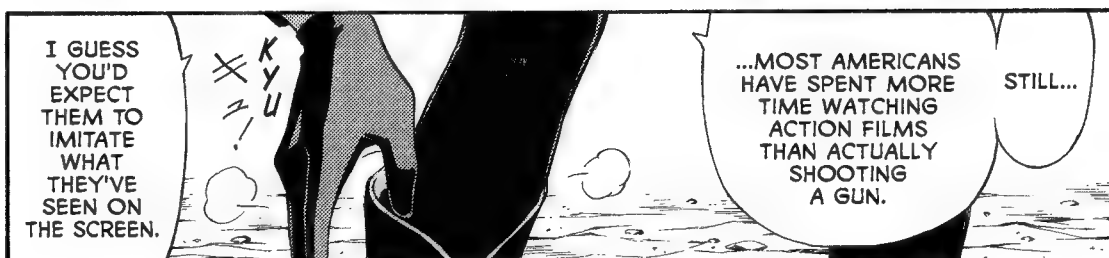




PEOPLE
MOVE
HORIZON-
TALLY.
THAT'S
WHAT YOU
SHOULD
PRACTICE
FOR.

YOU
SHOULD
STICK
TO THE
BASICS.

SO IT'S
NOT
NECESS-
SARILY
BAD
TECH-
NIQUE.



I GUESS
YOU'D
EXPECT
THEM TO
IMITATE
WHAT
THEY'VE
SEEN ON
THE SCREEN.

...MOST AMERICANS
HAVE SPENT MORE
TIME WATCHING
ACTION FILMS
THAN ACTUALLY
SHOOTING
A GUN.

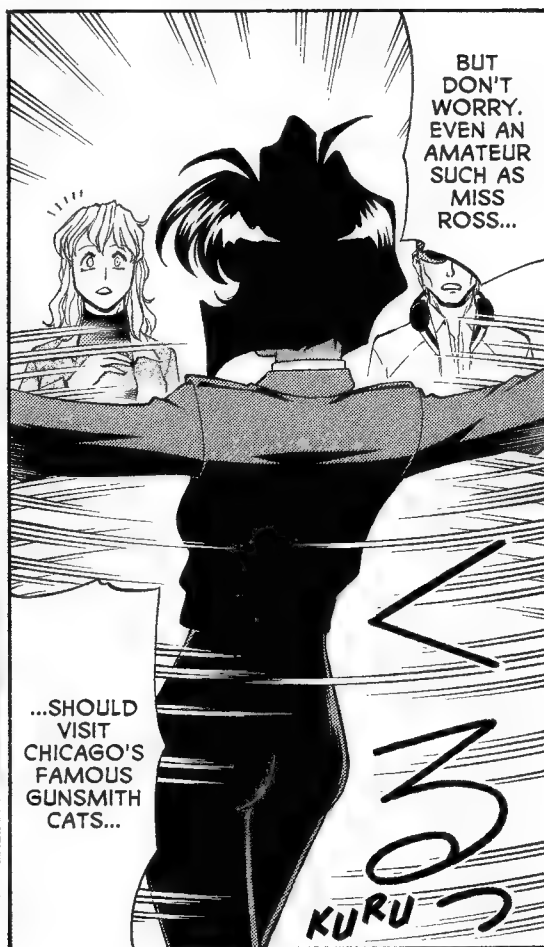
STILL...



IF YOU WANT
TO SHOOT
HORIZONTALLY,
I WOULD
RECOMMEND
GUNS THAT WON'T
JAM LIKE THE
MAUSER C96
OR THE
LUGAR P08.

...WHERE
WE HAVE
A WIDE
SELECTION
TO MEET
ANY NEED!

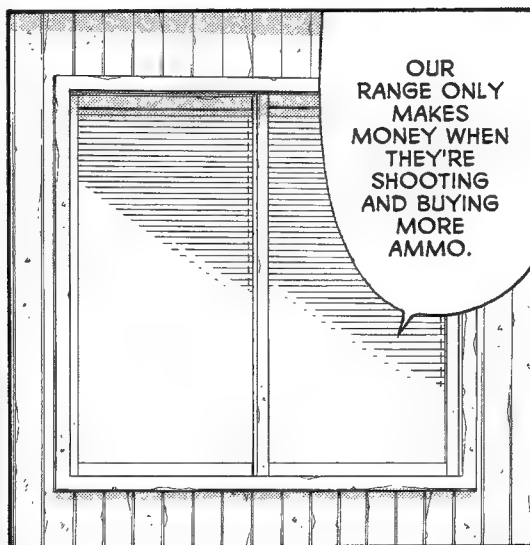
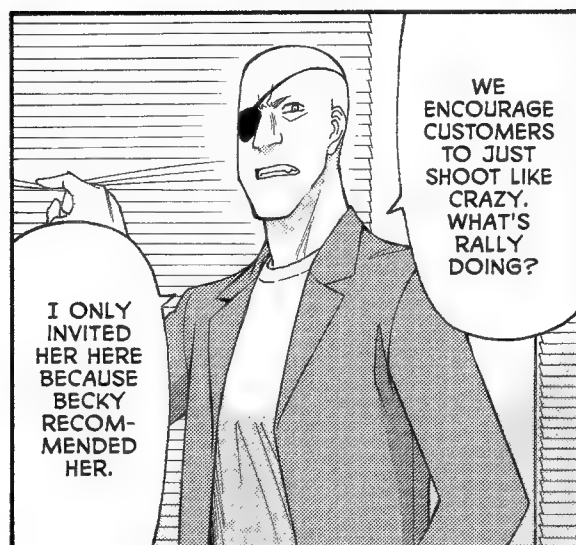
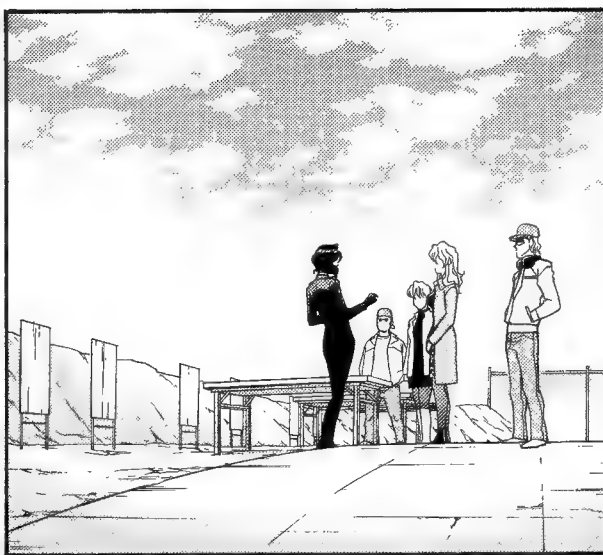
THERE'RE
ALSO THE
WALTHER
P38 OR P5
WHICH
EXPUL SHELLS
OUT THE
OPPOSITE
SIDE. THE
POSSIBILITIES
ARE
ENDLESS.

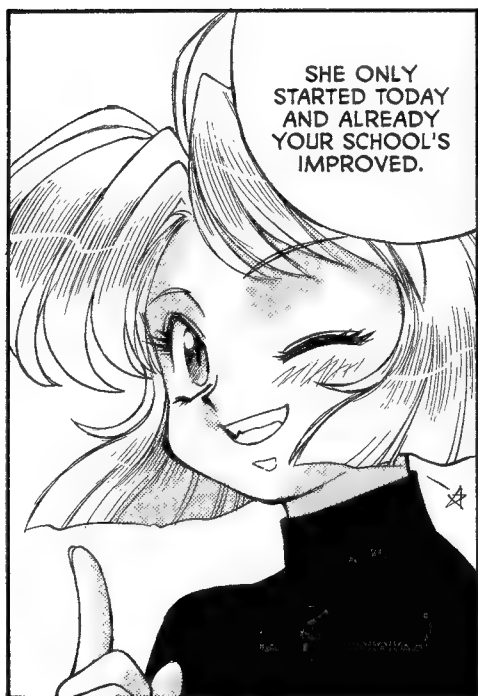


BUT
DON'T
WORRY.
EVEN AN
AMATEUR
SUCH AS
MISS
ROSS...

...SHOULD
VISIT
CHICAGO'S
FAMOUS
GUNSMITH
CATS...

KURU





SHE ONLY
STARTED TODAY
AND ALREADY
YOUR SCHOOL'S
IMPROVED.



SHE'S
JUST
DOING
HER
JOB.

RALLY'S
LECTURES
ARE THE
BEST.



THEN YOU
SHOULD
CHANGE
THE WAY
YOU DO
BUSINESS
AND START
CHARGING
A FEE FOR
ATTENDING
THE
CLASSES!

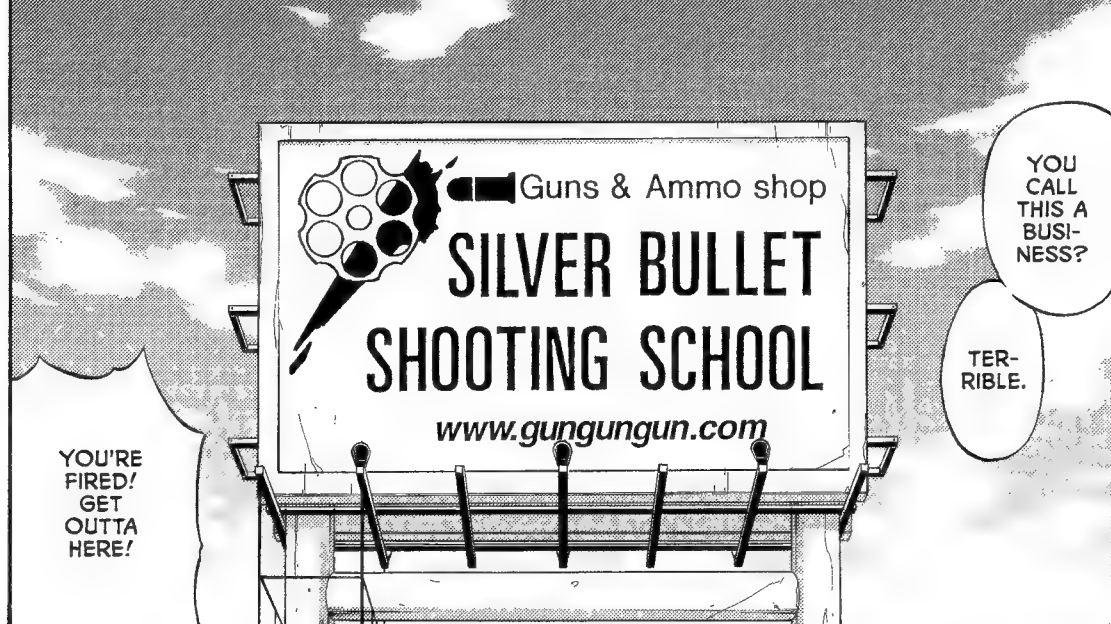


I DON'T WANT IT
TO IMPROVE! IT'S
BETTER FOR ME
WHEN THEY SHOOT
MORE THAN
THEY HAVE TO.



WE'RE
TOO FAR
FROM
TOWN TO
COUNT
ON PEOPLE
COMING
REGULARLY
FOR
CLASSES!

WE
FINALLY
STARTED
MAKING
A PROFIT
DOING
IT THIS
WAY!



EVERYBODY
IN!



I EVEN GOT
THE RARE
CHANCE TO
ADVERTISE
WHILE USING
SOMEONE
ELSE'S
FACILITIES.

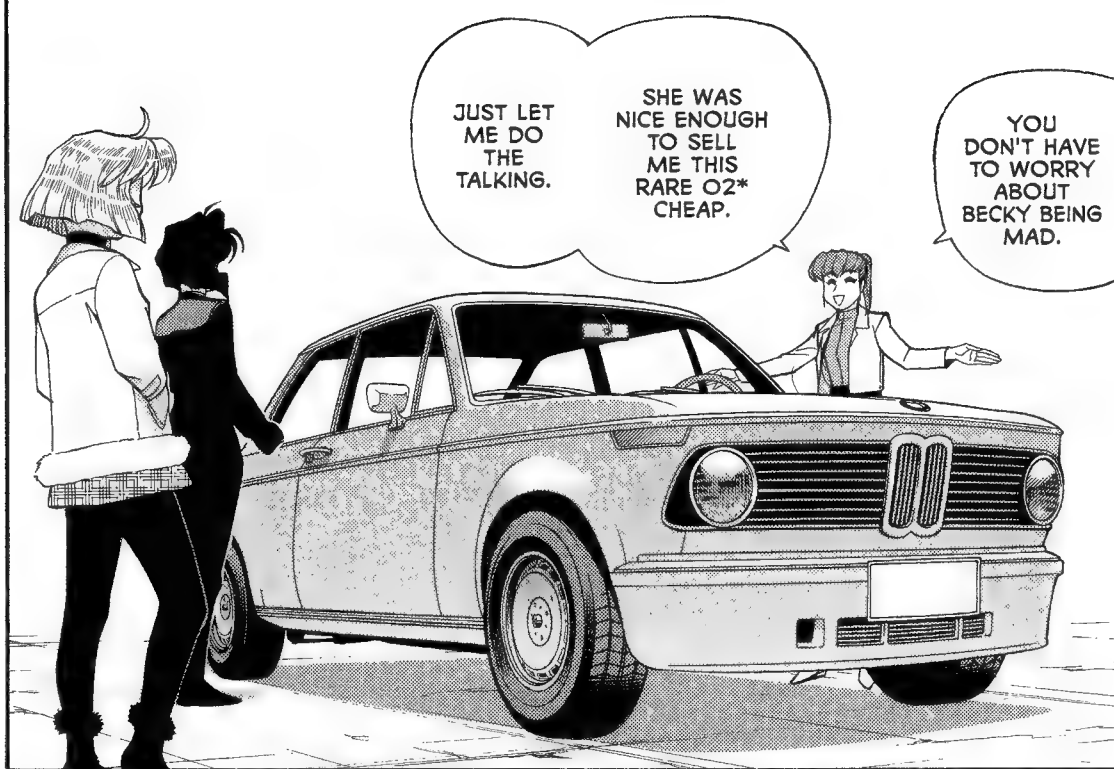
I BET
BECKY
WILL STILL
FIND
SOME
REASON
TO
COMPLAIN.



I'M
SORRY.

DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT IT.
IT'S NOT
LIKE I WAS
GETTING
PAID.

IT
REALLY
IS A
HORRIBLE
PLACE.

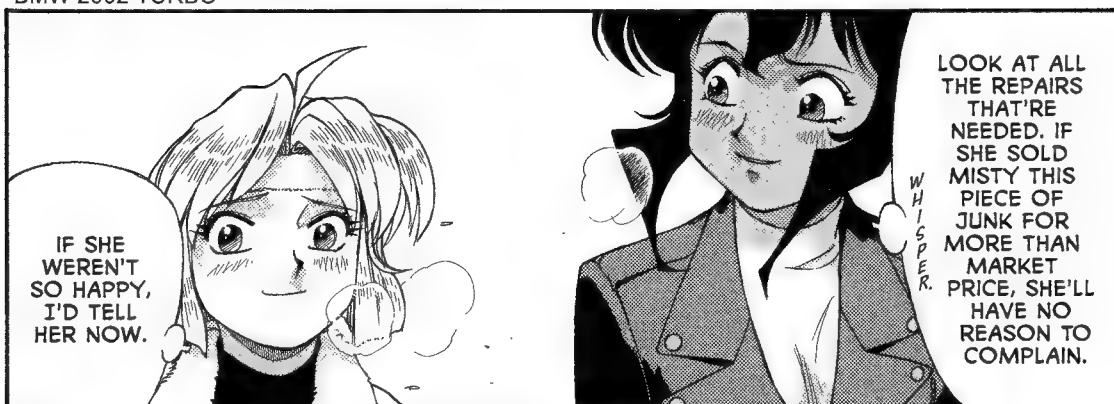


JUST LET
ME DO
THE
TALKING.

SHE WAS
NICE ENOUGH
TO SELL
ME THIS
RARE O2*
CHEAP.

YOU
DON'T HAVE
TO WORRY
ABOUT
BECKY BEING
MAD.

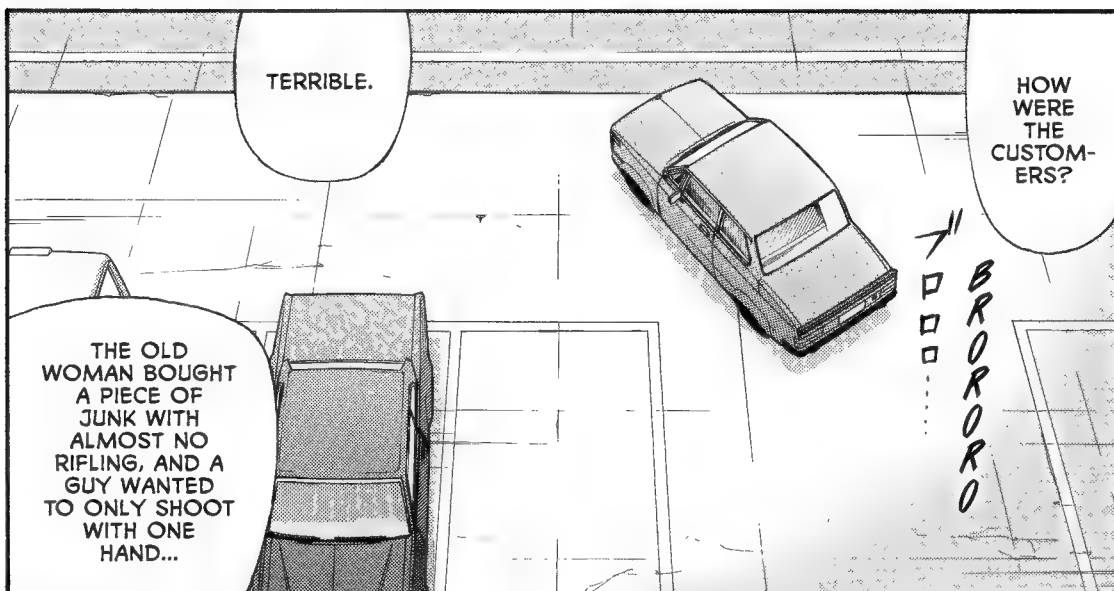
*BMW 2002 TURBO



IF SHE
WEREN'T
SO HAPPY,
I'D TELL
HER NOW.

LOOK AT ALL
THE REPAIRS
THAT'RE
NEEDED. IF
SHE SOLD
MISTY THIS
PIECE OF
JUNK FOR
MORE THAN
MARKET
PRICE, SHE'LL
HAVE NO
REASON TO
COMPLAIN.

WHISPER.



TERRIBLE.

HOW
WERE
THE
CUSTOM-
ERS?

THE OLD
WOMAN BOUGHT
A PIECE OF
JUNK WITH
ALMOST NO
RIFLING, AND A
GUY WANTED
TO ONLY SHOOT
WITH ONE
HAND...

BRORORO

CHAPTER 18/END

SONODA SPECIAL

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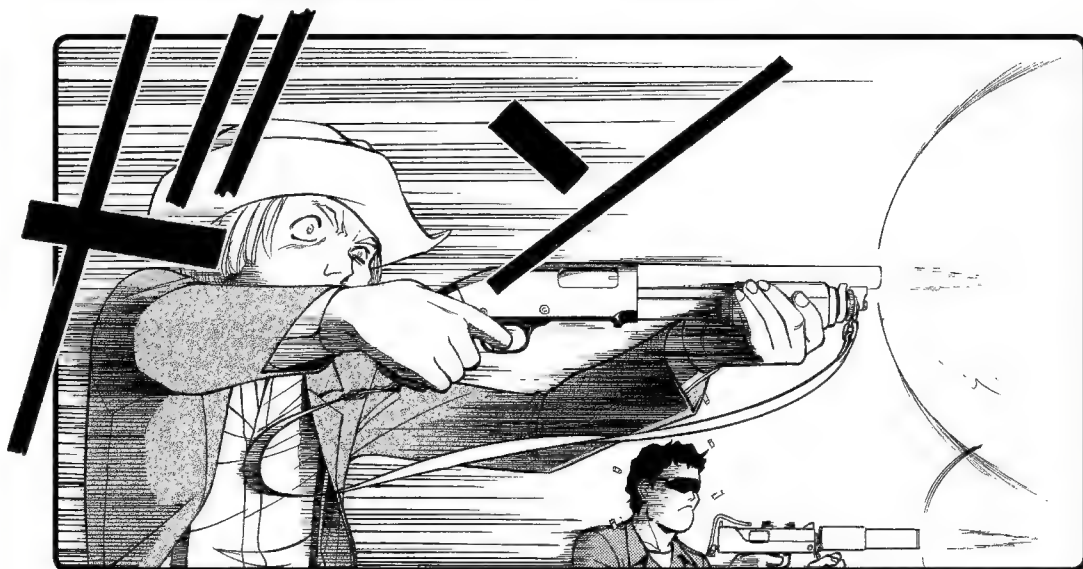
BULLET TRIVIA—SIXTH SHOT—SHOT SHELLS

The cartridges used in shotguns are called “shells,” and their caliber is measured in “gauge” instead of millimeters or inches.

The most popular is the 12 gauge, which is about 18mm in diameter. This “12” indicates the number of shot in one pound and is a holdover from measurements used in England before guns with bullets were widespread. In other words, the larger the number, the smaller the shot.

Shotguns sold in the US come in gauges of 10, 12, 16, 20, 28, and 410 (the last one is the exception to the rule and stands for 0.410 inches). Each of these have different lengths of cases, including magnum, but if you measure an unused casing, you will find it’s shorter than labeled. That’s because the length includes the part of the plastic case that’s folded inside and spreads out once the shotgun is fired.

10 gauge shells range from 2 5/8 to 3 1/2 inch magnums, 12 gauges range from 2 to 3 inch magnums, and 20 gauges range from 2 1/2 to 3 inch magnums.



SONODA SPECIAL

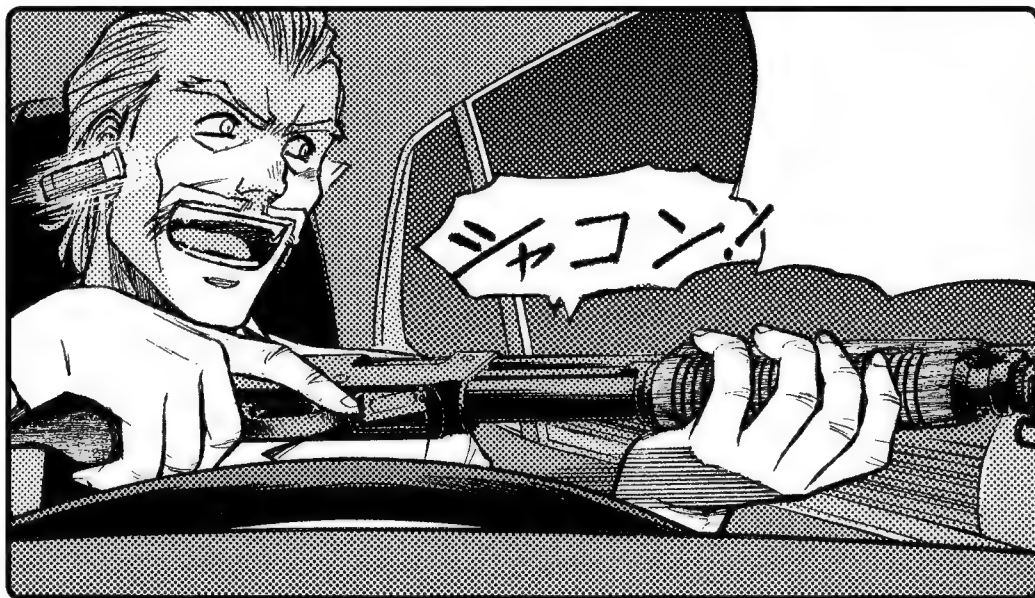
SONODA SPECIAL

BULLET TRIVIA—SEVENTH SHOT—SHOT

The shot in a shotgun shell sits in a plastic cup on a felt mat and are dispersed as a group when the shotgun is fired. They come in all different sizes for different uses. Everything from the 9.14mm 000 (triple 0) through the 8.38 00, 0, 1, 2, 3, and the 6.10mm 4 is called buckshot, while the 5.59mm f through t, bbb, 4.57 bb, 1-7, the 2.41mm 7 ½, 8, 8 ½, and the 2.03mm 9 are considered birdshot.

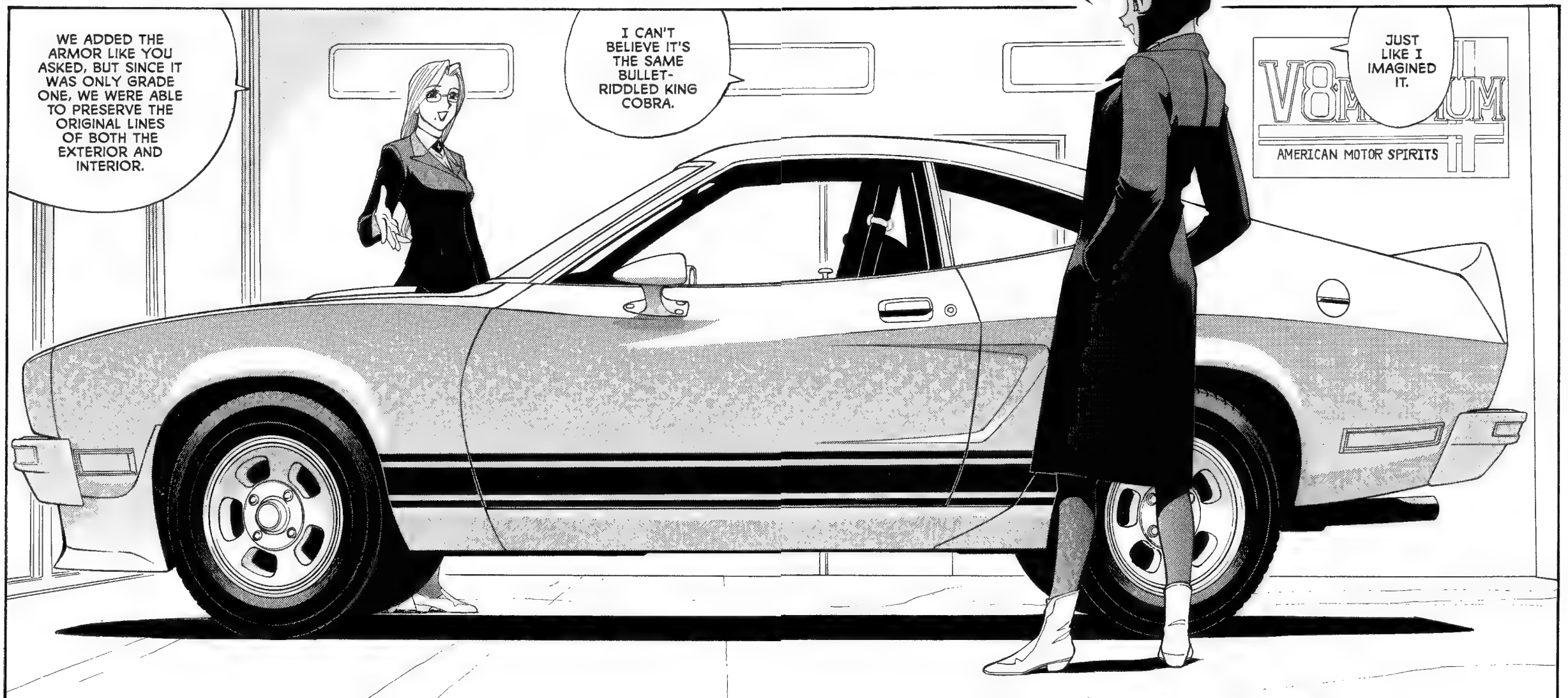
It is said that 12 gauge 00* 9 sphere buckshot (called a "9 shot" in Japan) is good for use against humans, but most police will use size 4 150 sphere casings when they are not looking to cause harm.

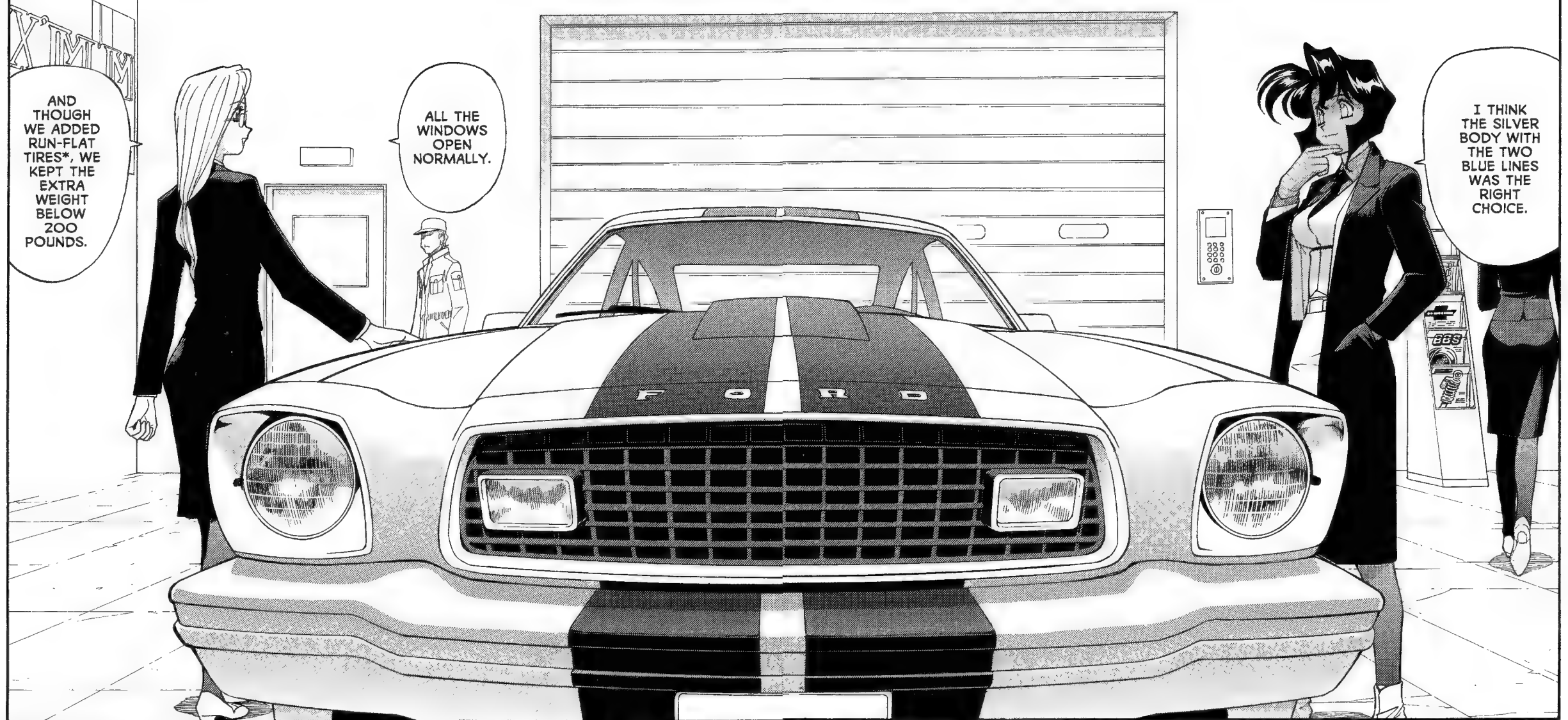
Casings with a single sphere of shot (often called a slug or solid shot) are used against doors and cars, but since shotguns are not made with rifling, either the shot is grooved, or the casing has it.



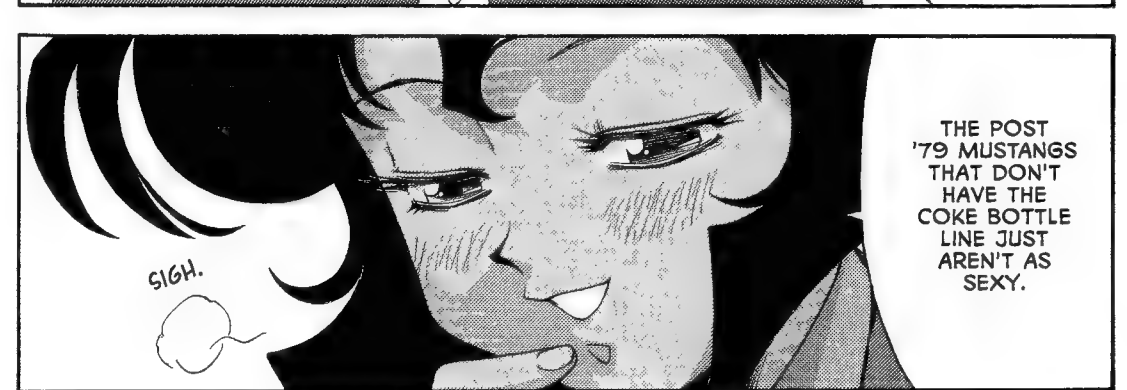
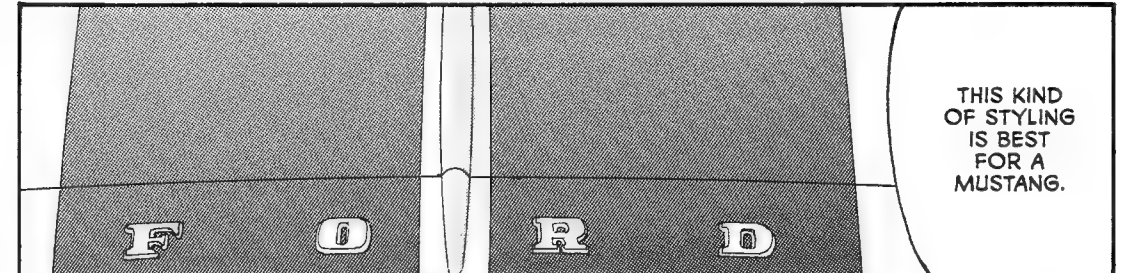
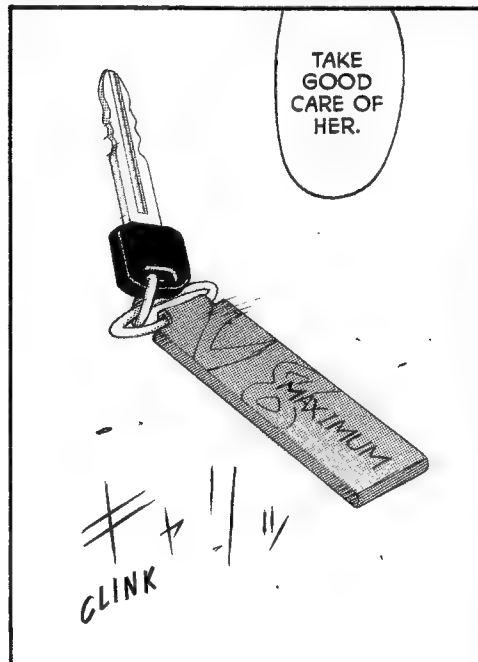
CHAPTER 19 **THE MONEY-SUCKING CAR**

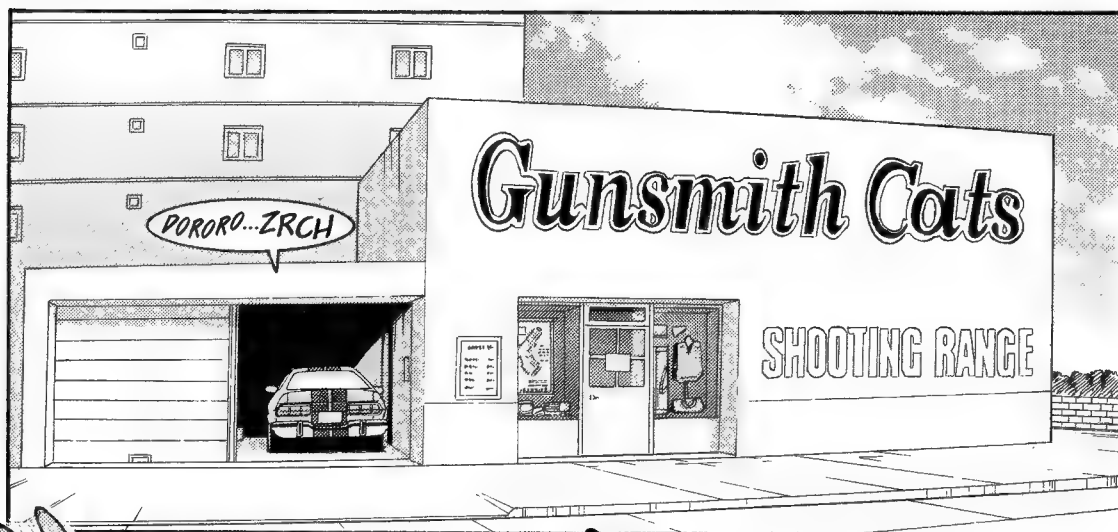
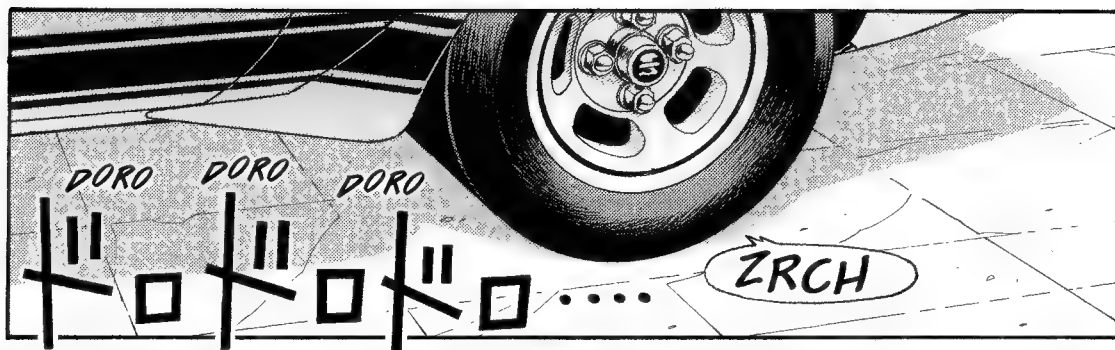






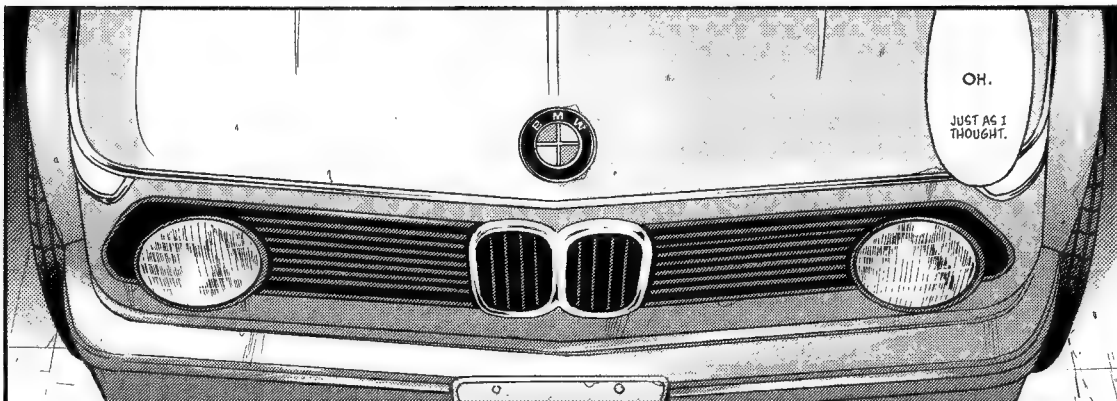
*CAN BE DRIVEN SAFELY FOR A SHORT DISTANCE EVEN WHEN FLAT, BUT ARE VERY HEAVY.

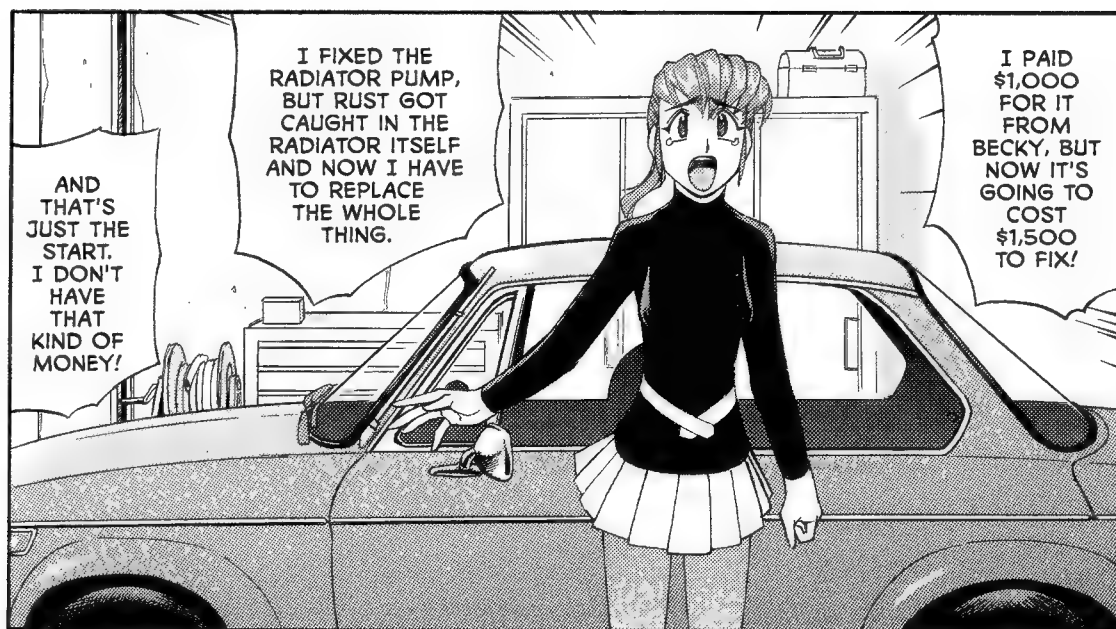


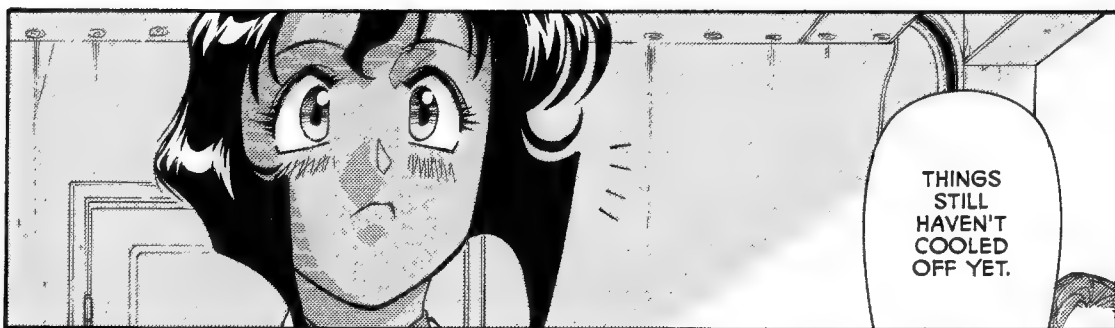




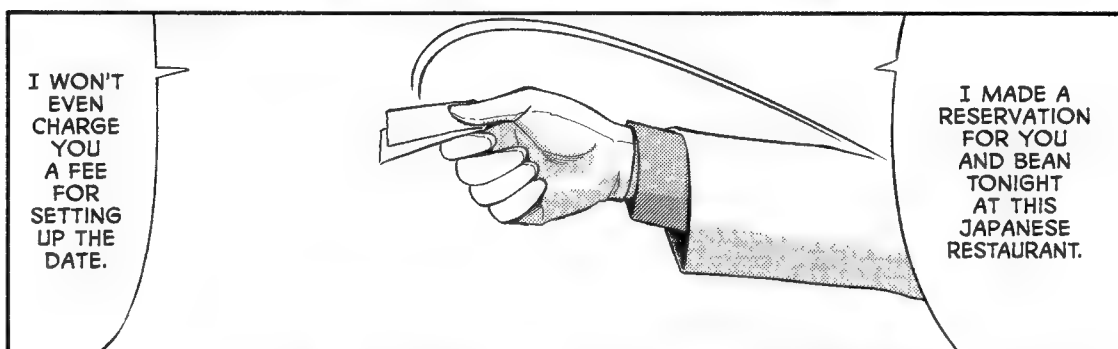
*BMW 2002













THAT'S
YOUR
FAULT FOR
COUNTING
YOUR
CHICKENS
BEFORE
THEY
HATCHED!

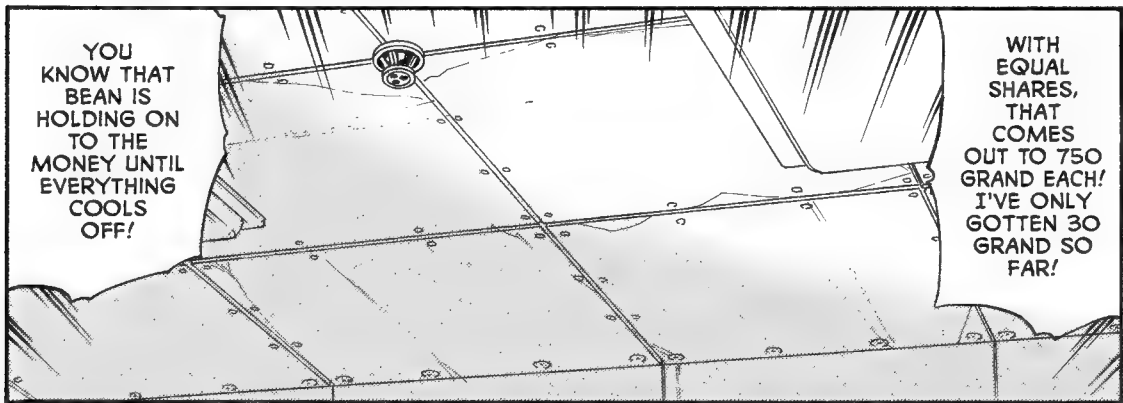
IF YOU
ADD
EVERY-
THING UP,
IT ONLY
COMES
OUT TO
THREE
MILLION!



WHOSE FAULT
IS IT THAT OUR
CUT FROM
HOWARD HAS
SHRUNK SO
MUCH?!

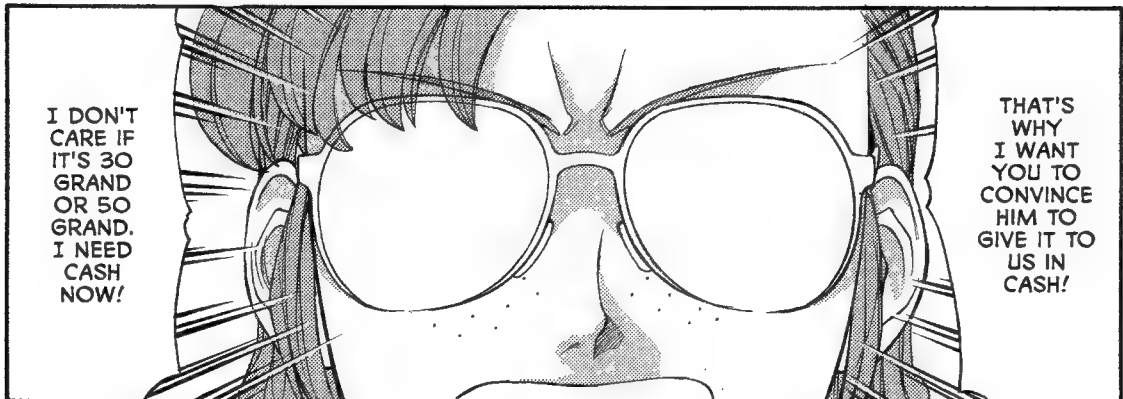


I DID.
BUT
THAT'S
NOT THE
POINT.



YOU
KNOW THAT
BEAN IS
HOLDING ON
TO THE
MONEY UNTIL
EVERYTHING
COOLS
OFF!

WITH
EQUAL
SHARES,
THAT
COMES
OUT TO 750
GRAND EACH!
I'VE ONLY
GOTTEN 30
GRAND SO
FAR!

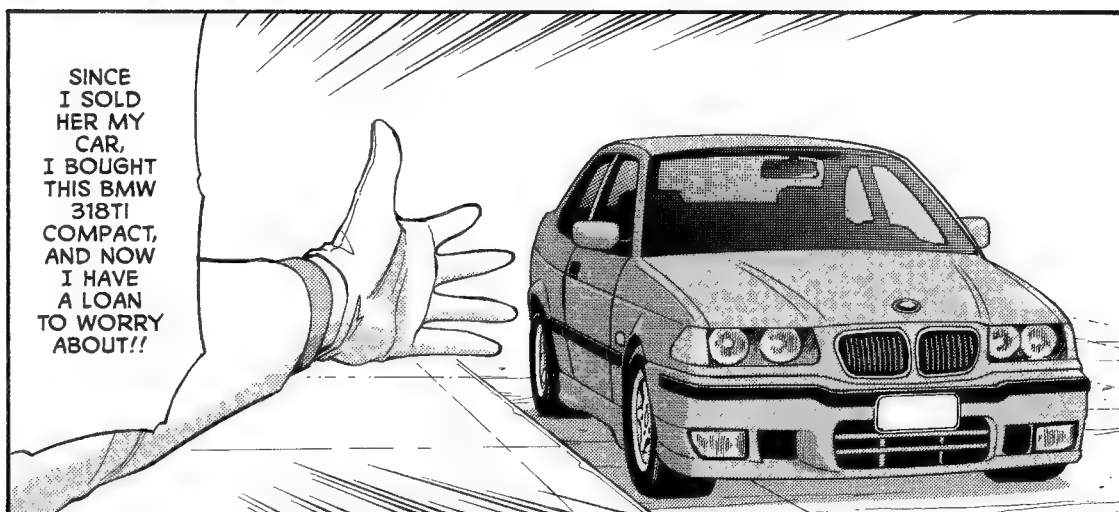


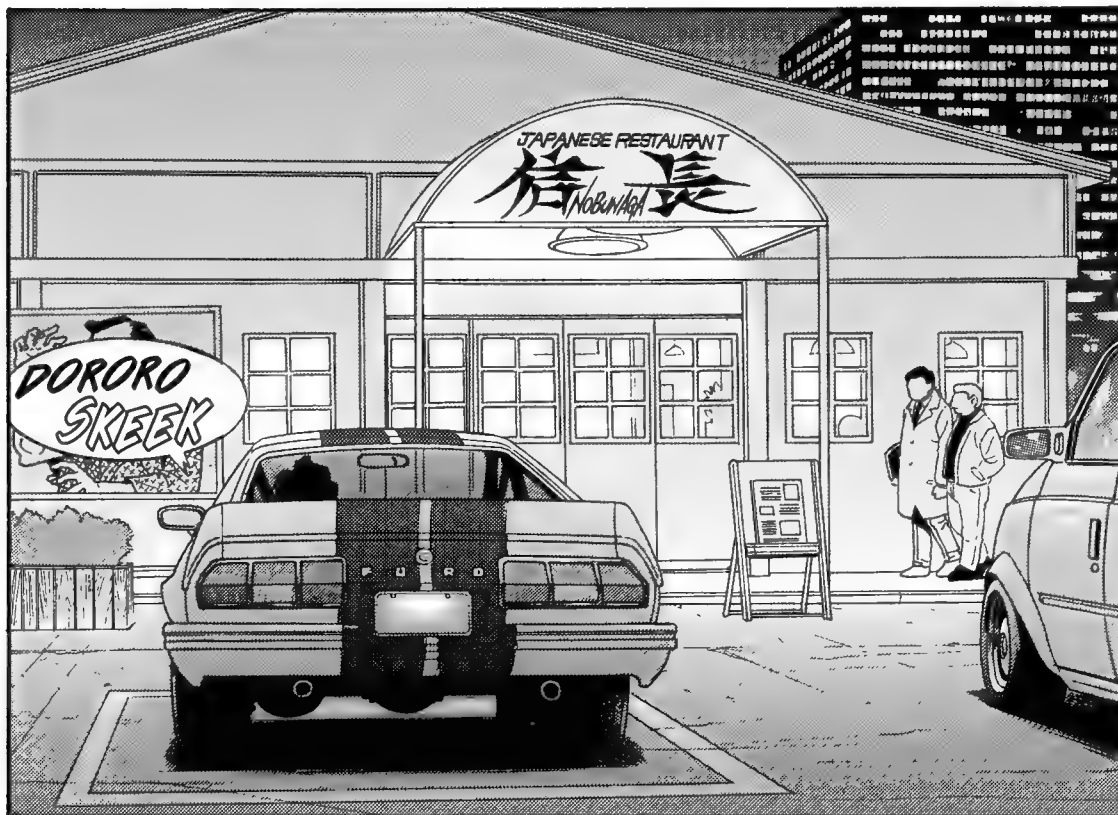
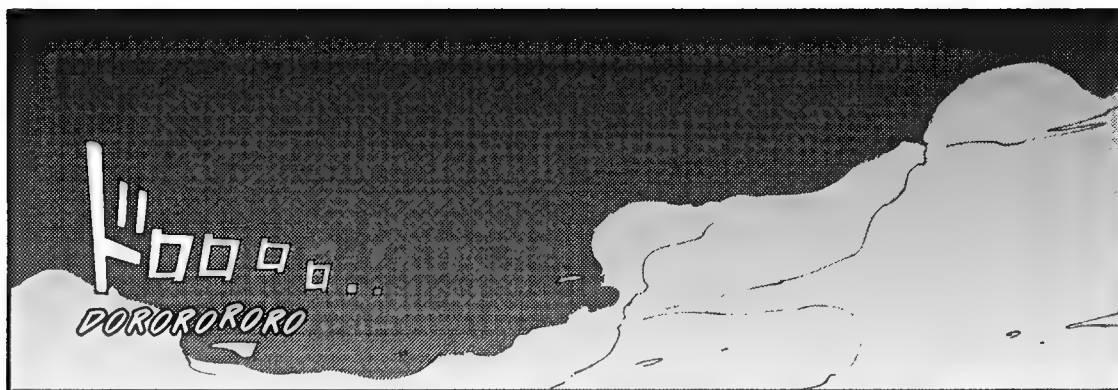
I DON'T
CARE IF
IT'S 30
GRAND
OR 50
GRAND.
I NEED
CASH
NOW!

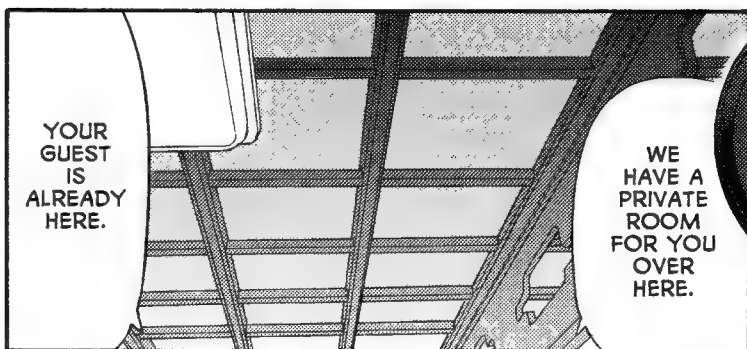
THAT'S
WHY
I WANT
YOU TO
CONVINCE
HIM TO
GIVE IT TO
US IN
CASH!

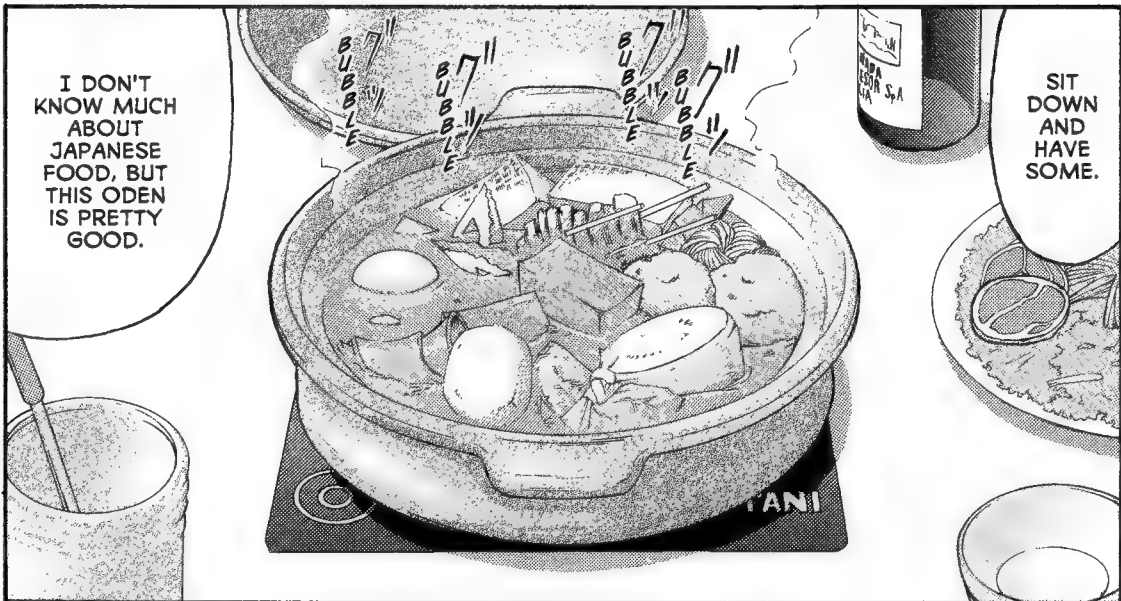


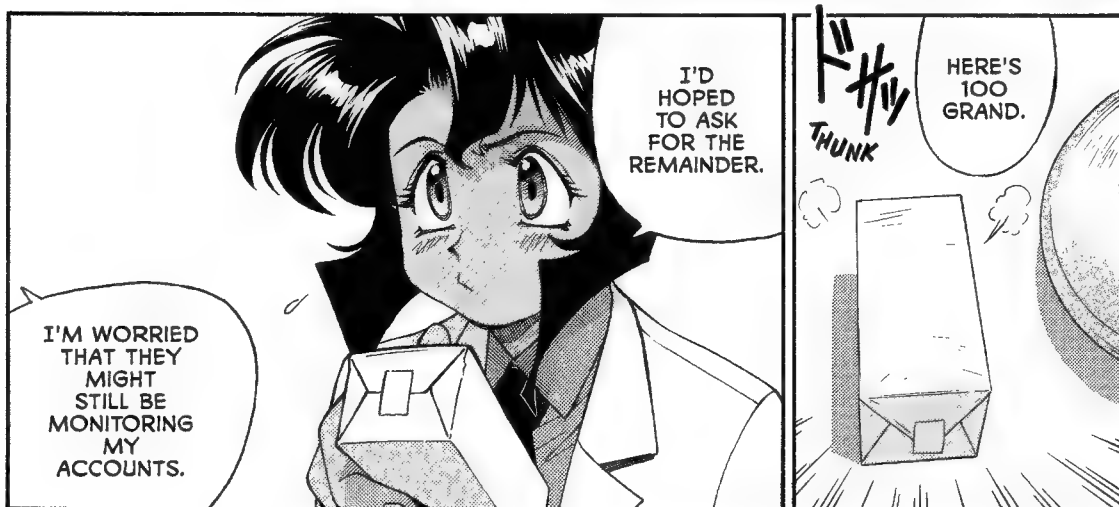
MISTY'S ALSO GONNA NEED MORE CASH TO FIX HER '02!

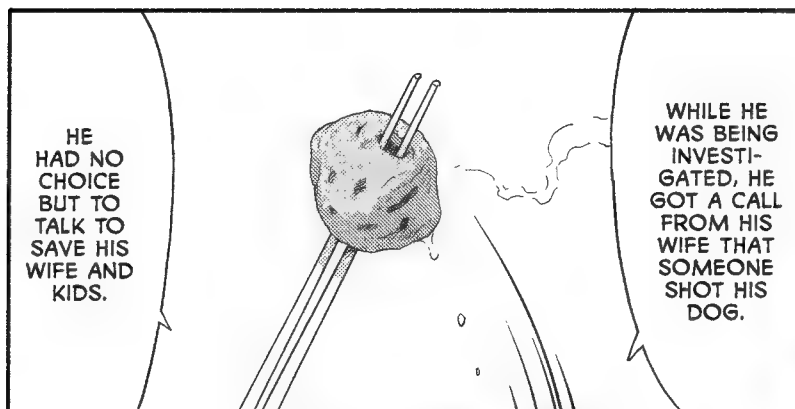












HE
HAD NO
CHOICE
BUT TO
TALK TO
SAVE HIS
WIFE AND
KIDS.

WHILE HE
WAS BEING
INVESTIGATED, HE
GOT A CALL
FROM HIS
WIFE THAT
SOMEONE
SHOT HIS
DOG.



HE ARRESTED THE
GUY WHO OVERSEES
MY FAKE ACCOUNTS.
HE SPILLED THE
BEANS ON
EVERYTHING.

WHAT AN
AMATEUR.



NAW. I
DIDN'T LEAVE
ONE SHRED
OF PAPER
EVIDENCE SO
THERE'S NO
WAY THE
COURT WILL
APPROVE
TAKING
THEM.

SO THE
ACCOUNTS
WERE
SEIZED?



NOW I JUST
NEED TO DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT PERCY
BEFORE HE
GETS TO MY
OTHER
ACCOUNTS.

フー
PHOO

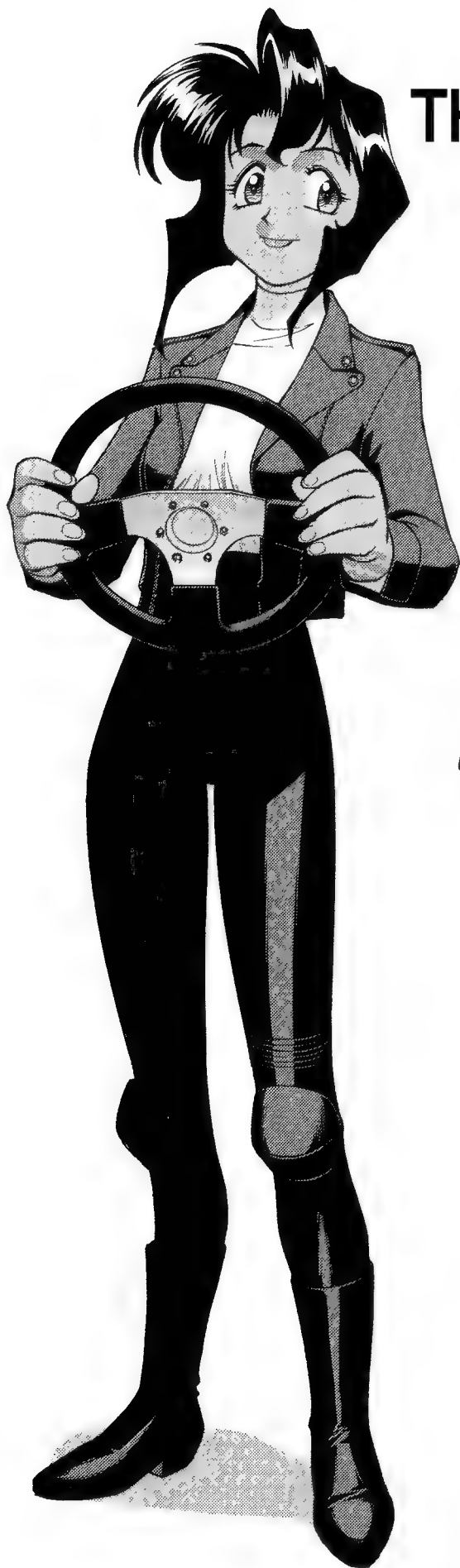
BUT IT
MAY BE
COUNTER-
PRODUCTIVE
TO MOVE
LARGE
AMOUNTS
OF CASH.

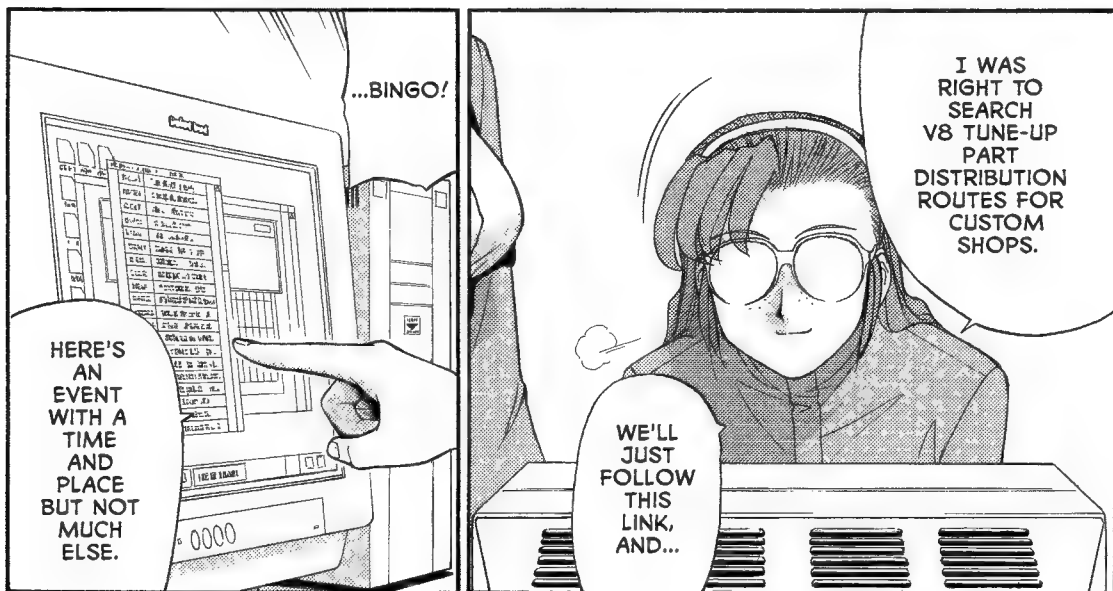


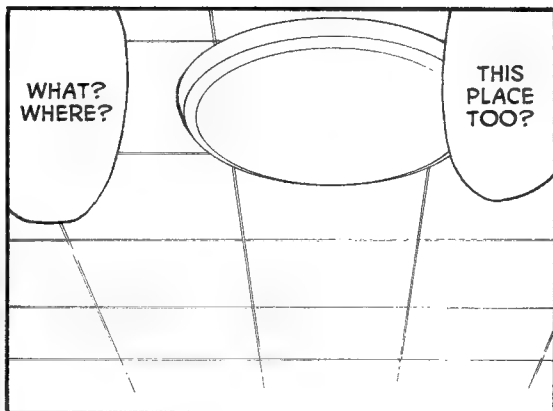
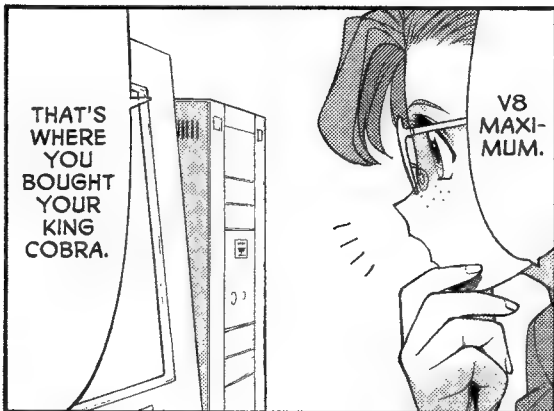
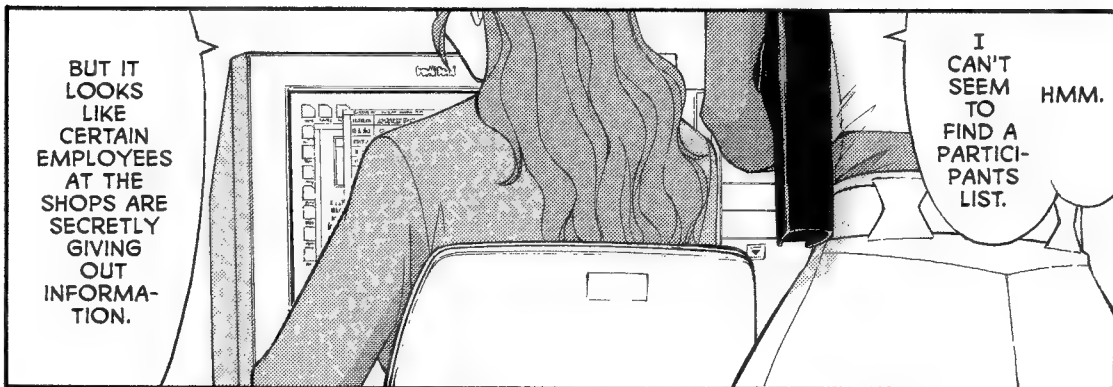
HE
MAY
JUST
HAVE
TO
DIE.

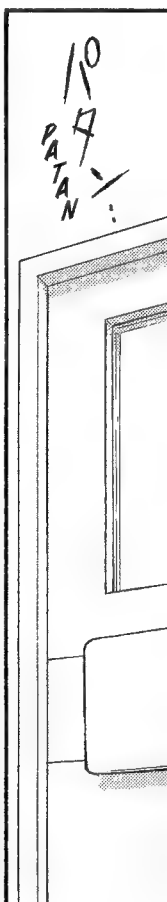
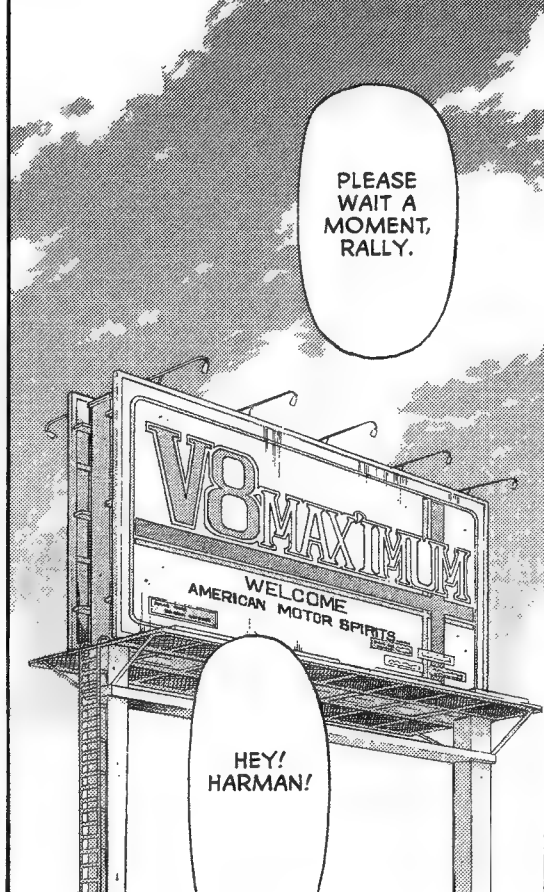


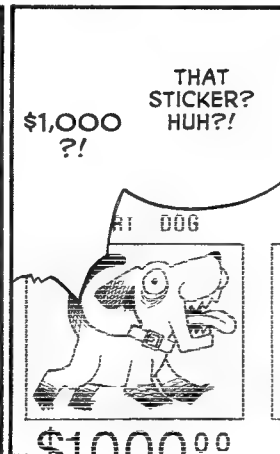
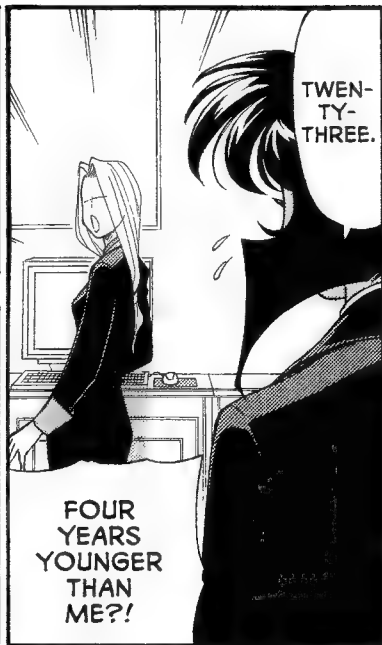
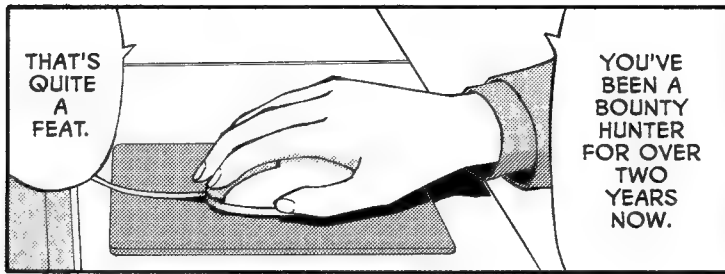
CHAPTER 20
THE V8 FREAKS



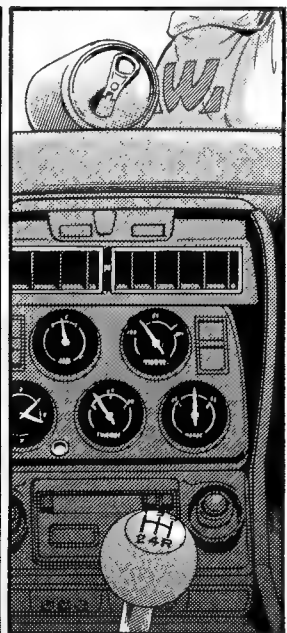
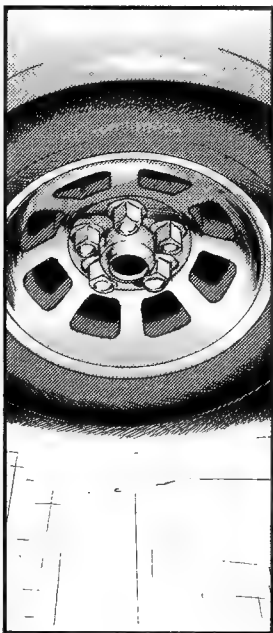
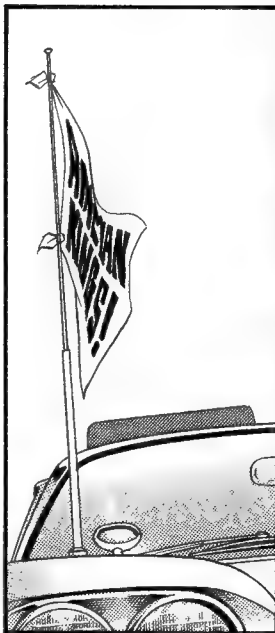
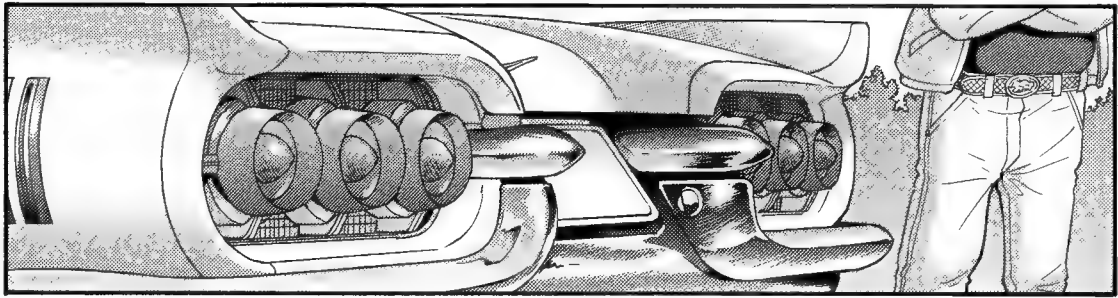
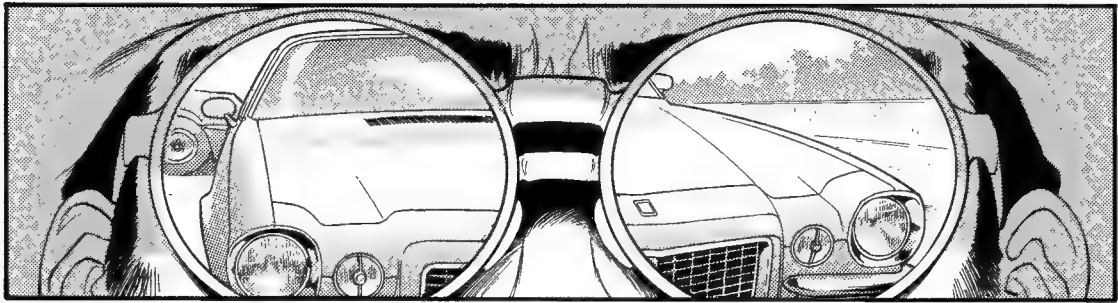
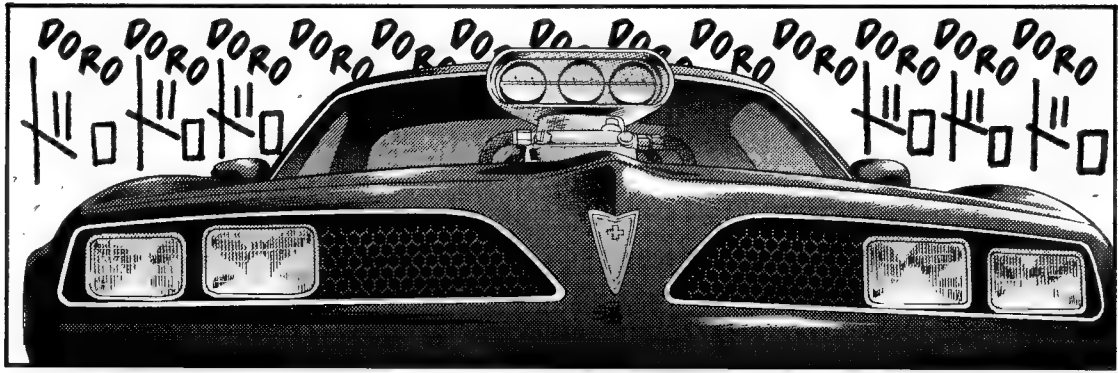


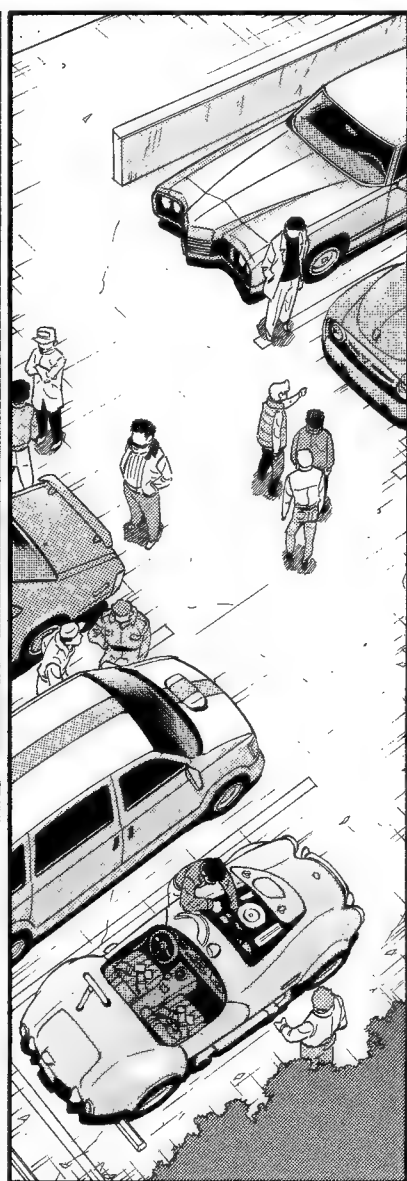
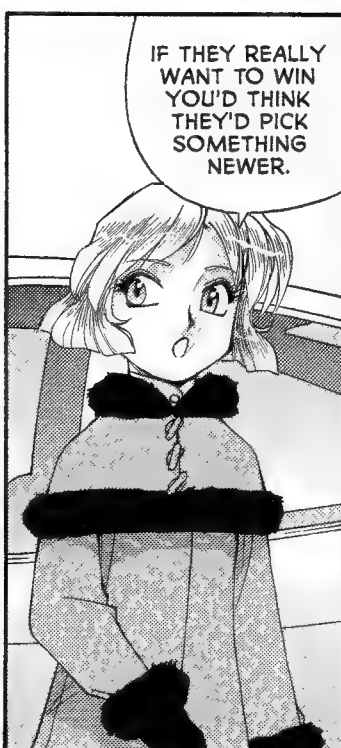
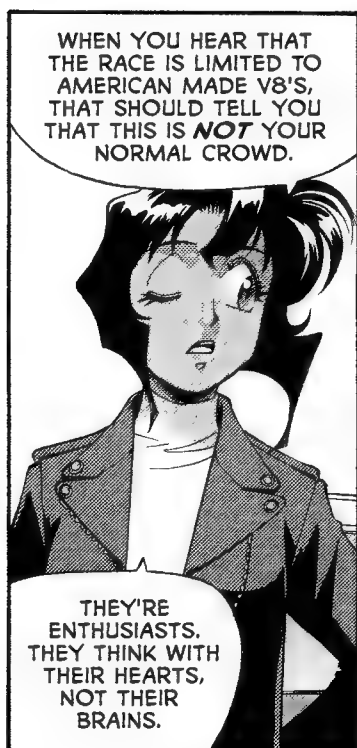


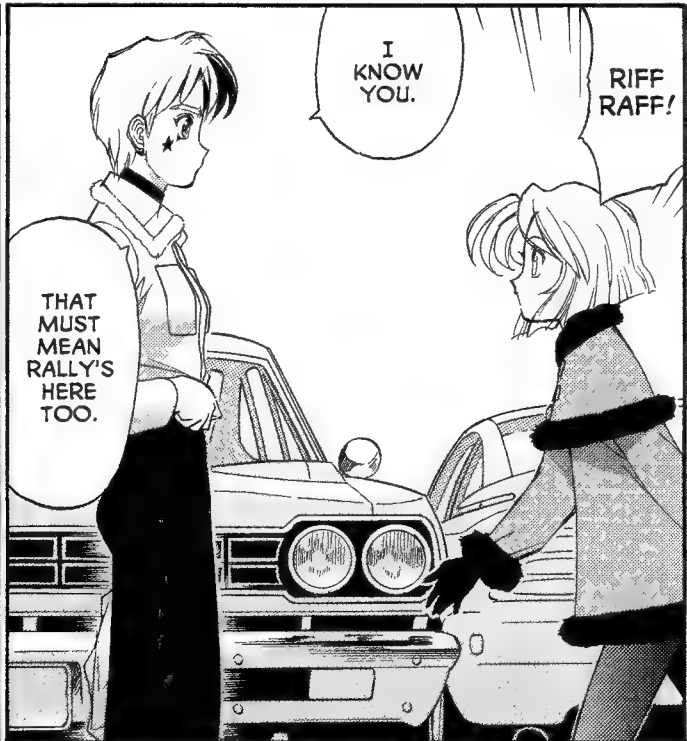
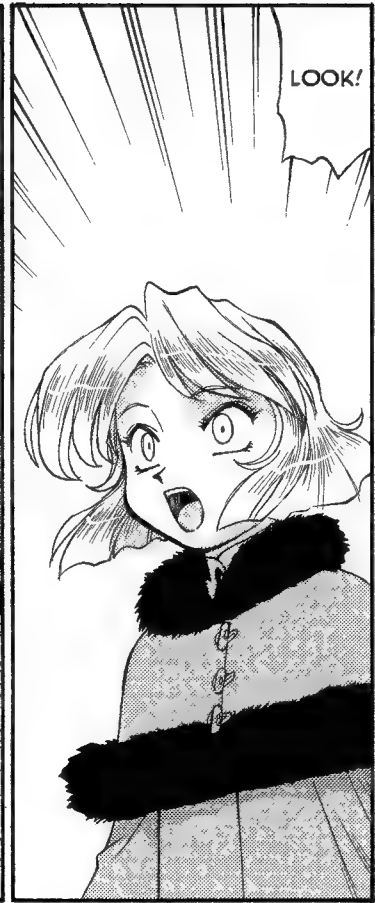
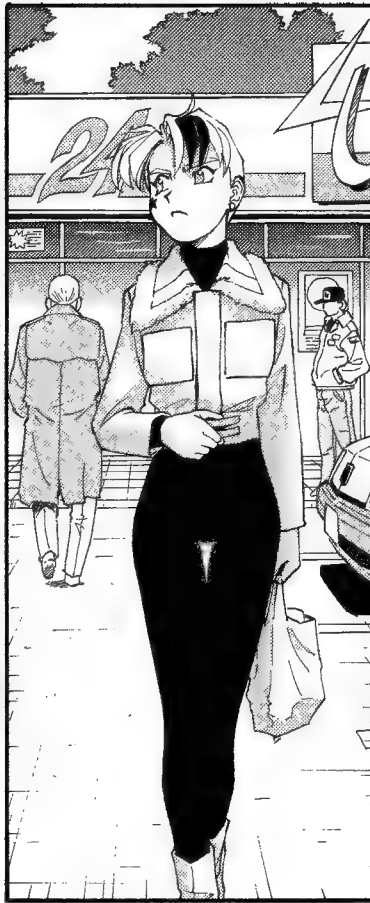










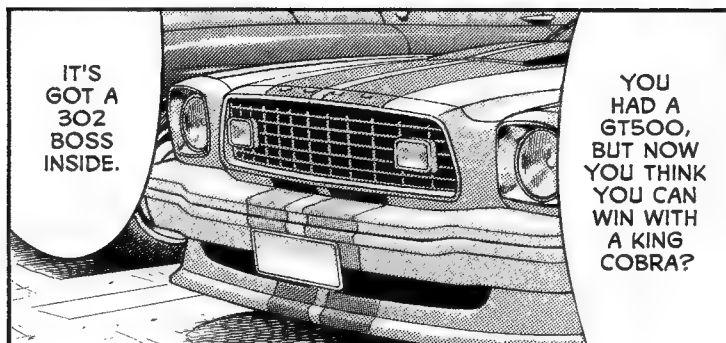




OF
COURSE.
AND SO DO
PEOPLE BETTING
ON THE
RACE.

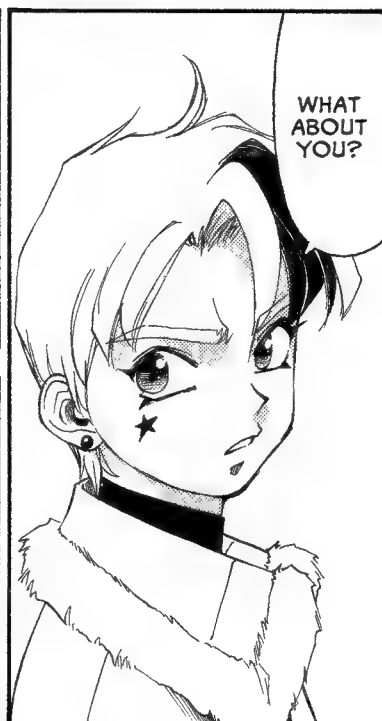
YOU
REALLY THINK
YOU CAN TAKE
THE PRIZE WITH
A COBRA
427?

WOW!

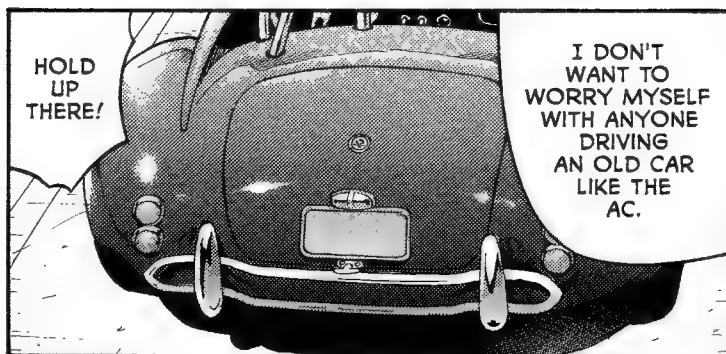


IT'S
GOT A
302
BOSS
INSIDE.

YOU
HAD A
GT500,
BUT NOW
YOU THINK
YOU CAN
WIN WITH
A KING
COBRA?

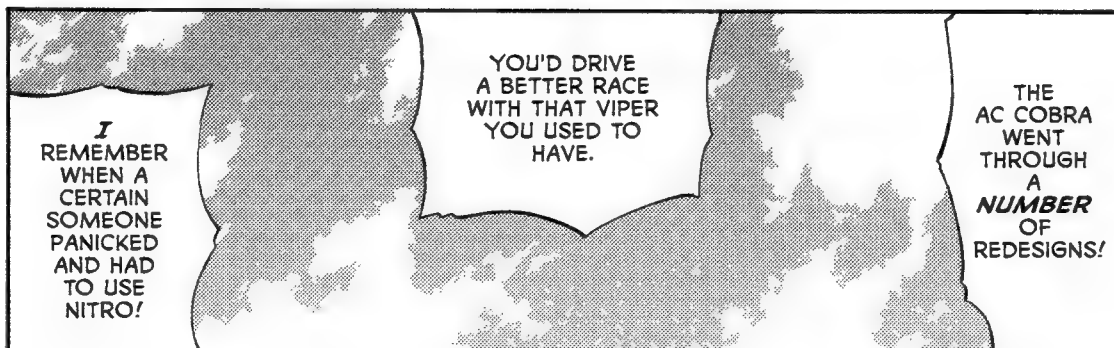


WHAT
ABOUT
YOU?



HOLD
UP
THERE!

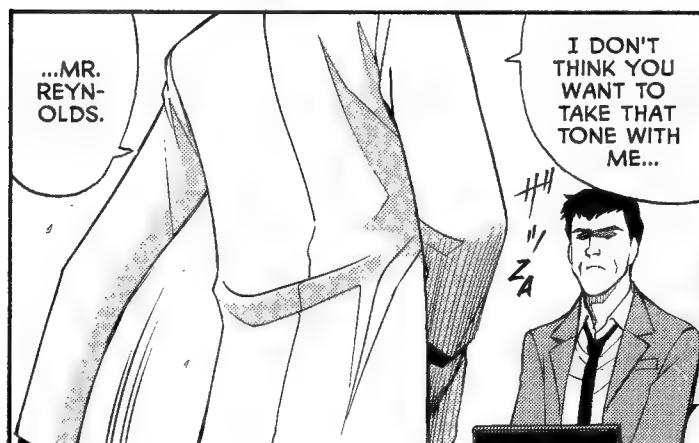
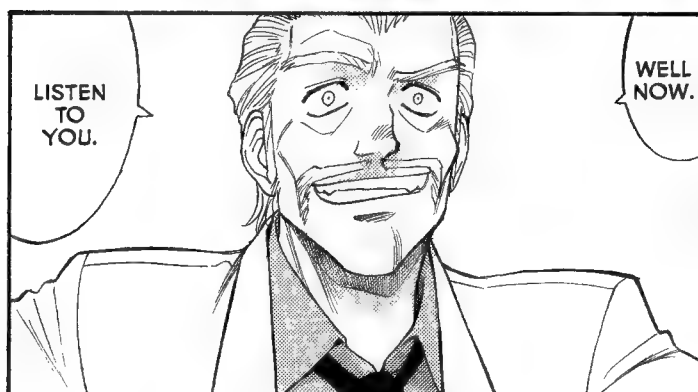
I DON'T
WANT TO
WORRY MYSELF
WITH ANYONE
DRIVING
AN OLD CAR
LIKE THE
AC.

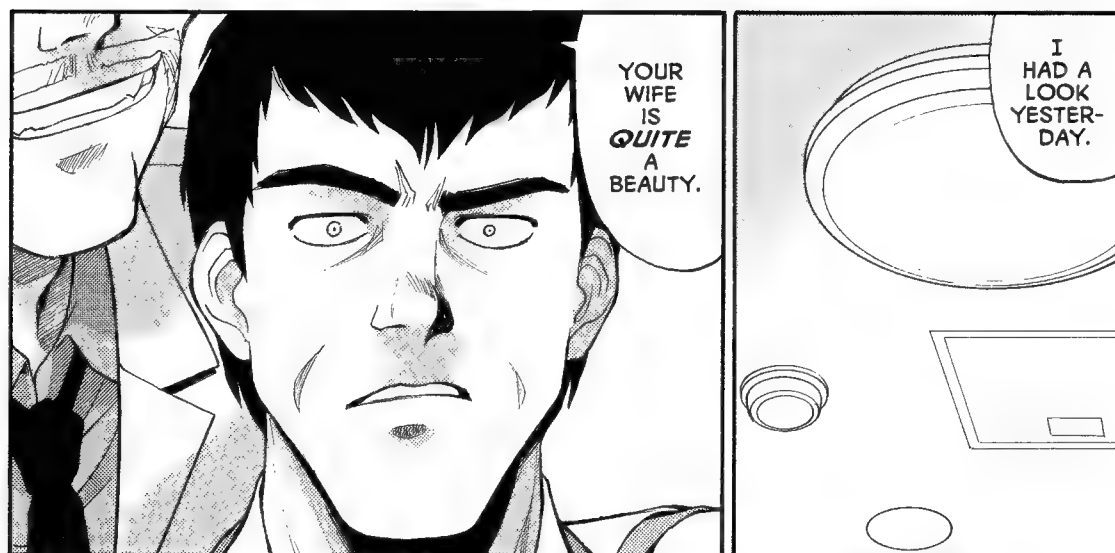


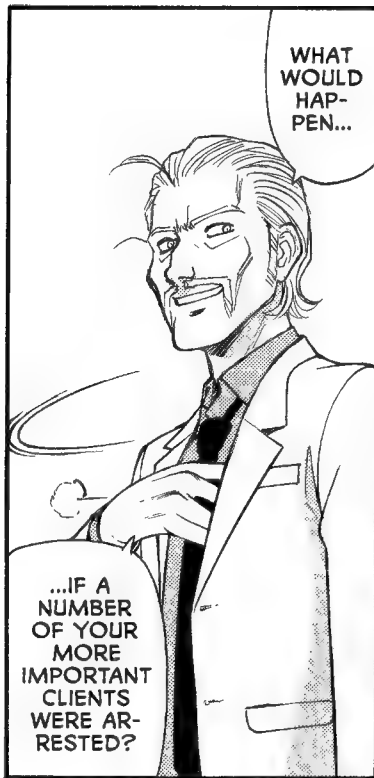
I
REMEMBER
WHEN A
CERTAIN
SOMEONE
PANICKED
AND HAD
TO USE
NITRO!

YOU'D DRIVE
A BETTER RACE
WITH THAT VIPER
YOU USED TO
HAVE.

THE
AC COBRA
WENT
THROUGH
A
NUMBER
OF
REDESIGNS!







WHAT
WOULD
HAP-
PEN...

...IF A
NUMBER
OF YOUR
MORE
IMPORTANT
CLIENTS
WERE AR-
RESTED?



I NEEDED
SOME EXTRA
INSURANCE SINCE I'M
IN THE RACE
AS WELL.

TAK!



I'VE
GIVEN
IN TO
ALL OF
YOUR
DEMANDS!



BUT
EVERY-
THING'S
ALREADY IN
PLACE IF
NEEDED.

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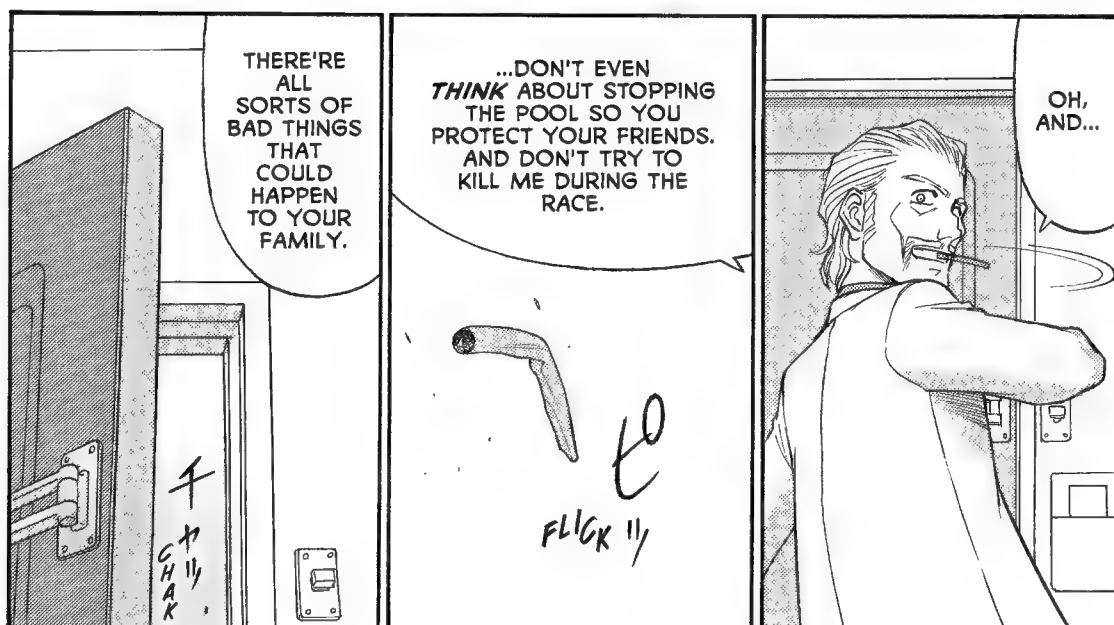
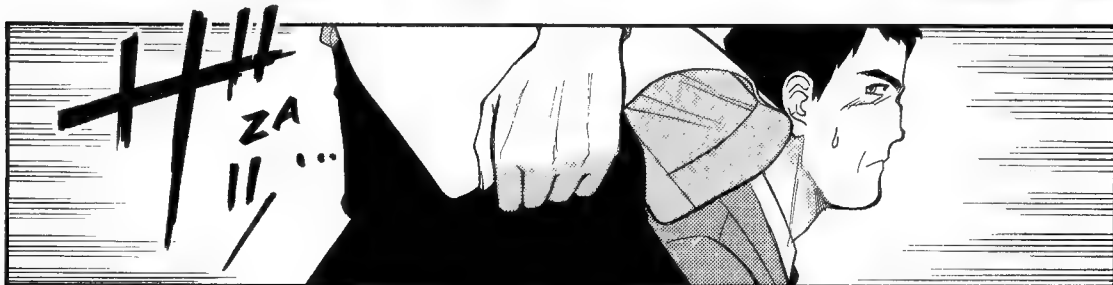


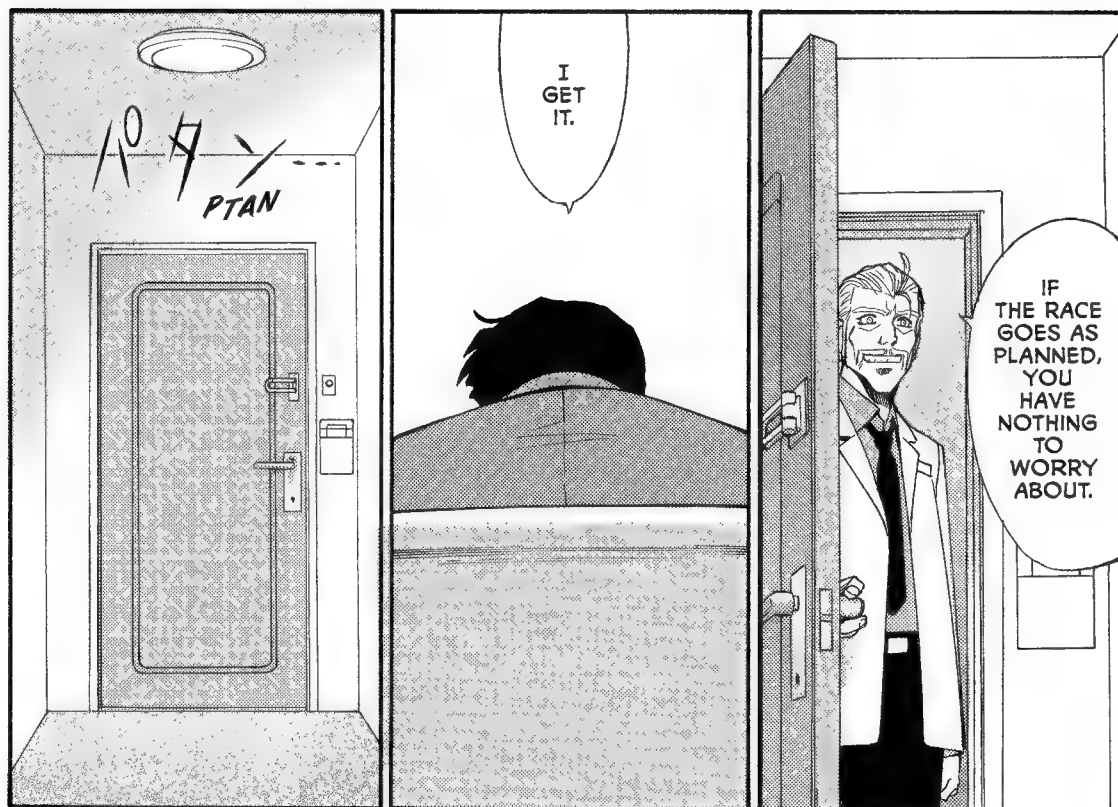
YOU
WOULD-
N'T!

I
CAN STOP
THAT FROM
HAPPENING,
OF COURSE,
SHOULD
I FINISH
THE RACE
WITH NO
PROBLEMS.

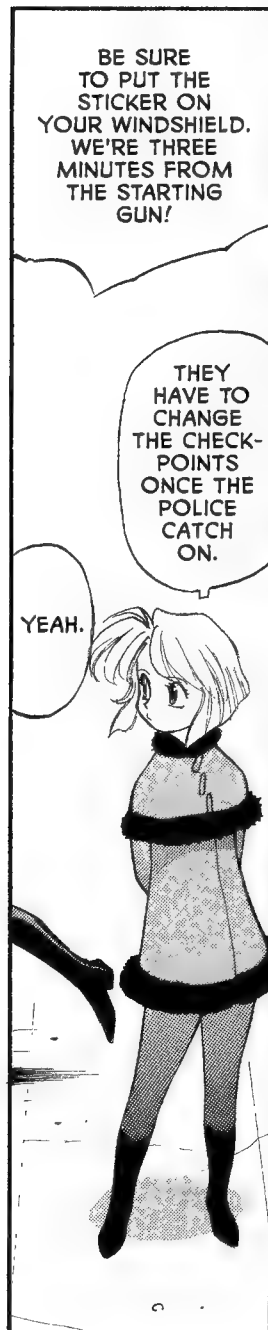
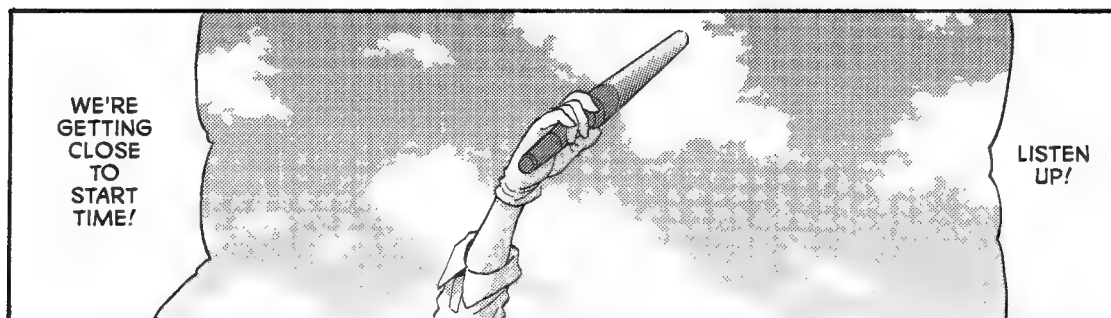


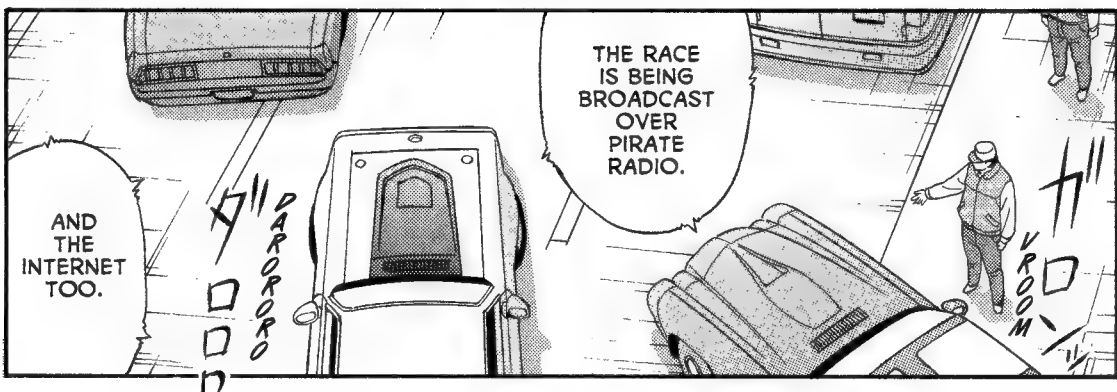
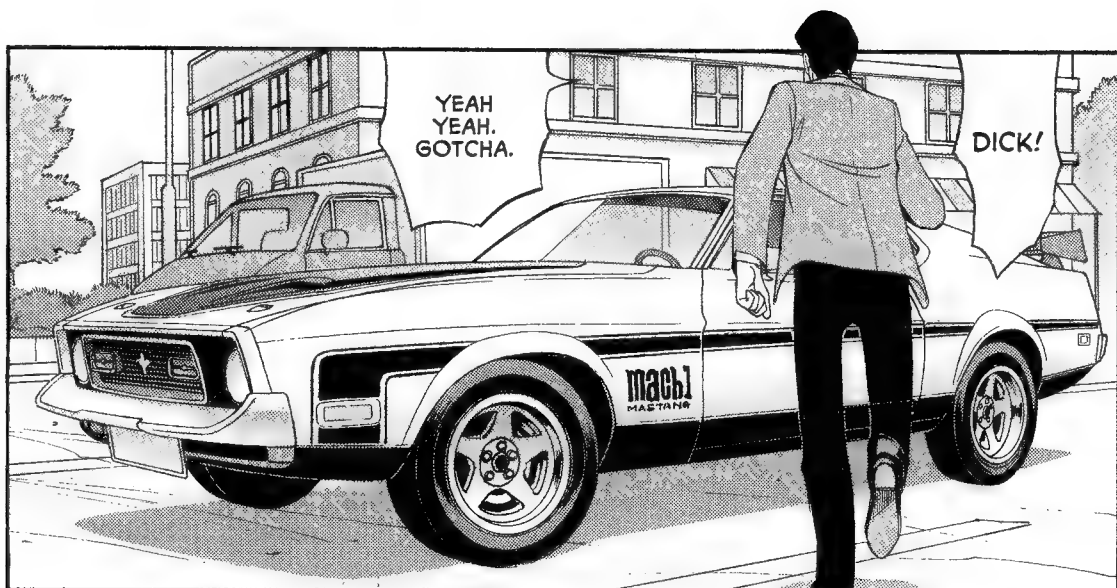
AND WORD
GOT OUT THAT IT
WAS YOUR WIFE
WHO TURNED
OVER THE
LIST TO THE
POLICE?

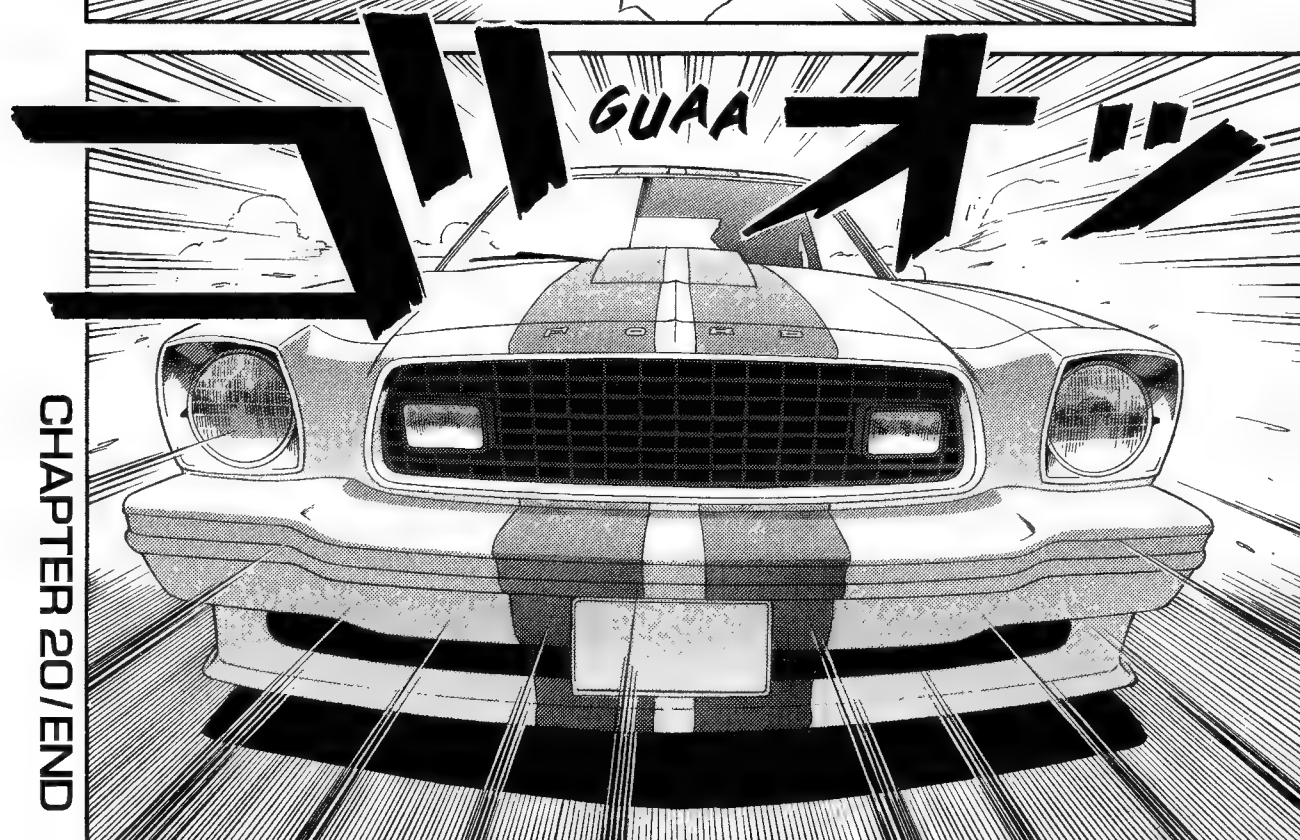
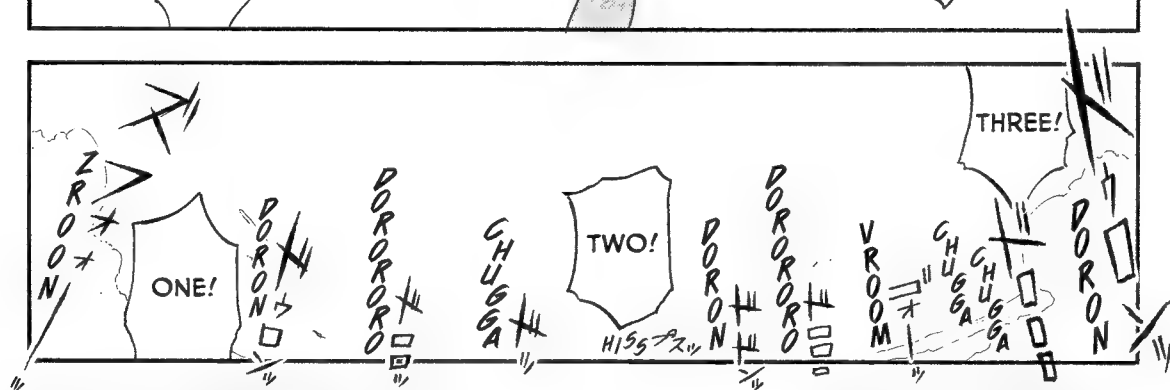
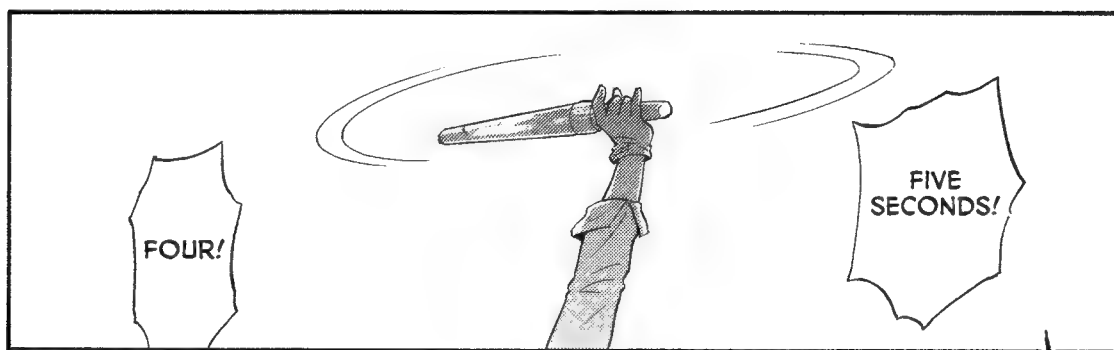






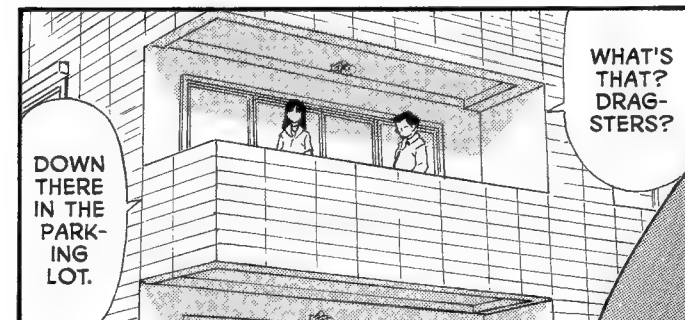
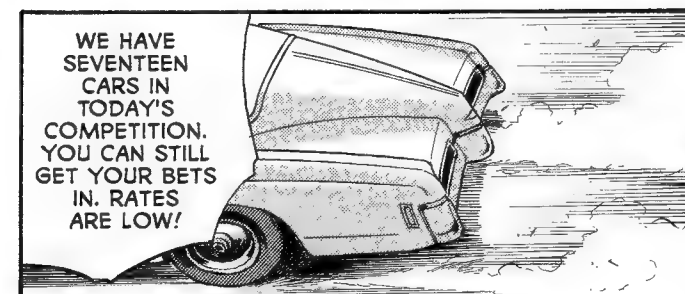
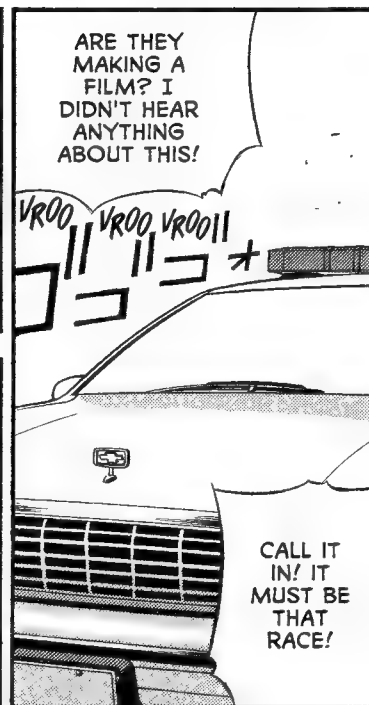
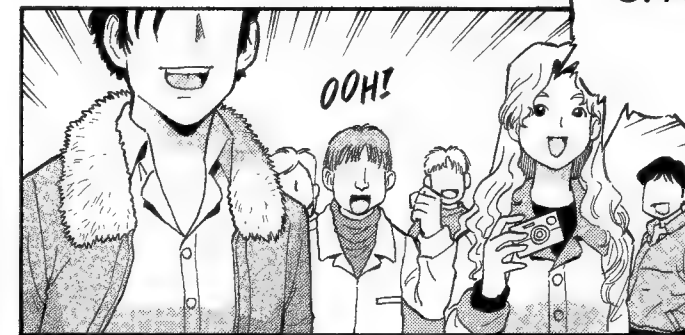
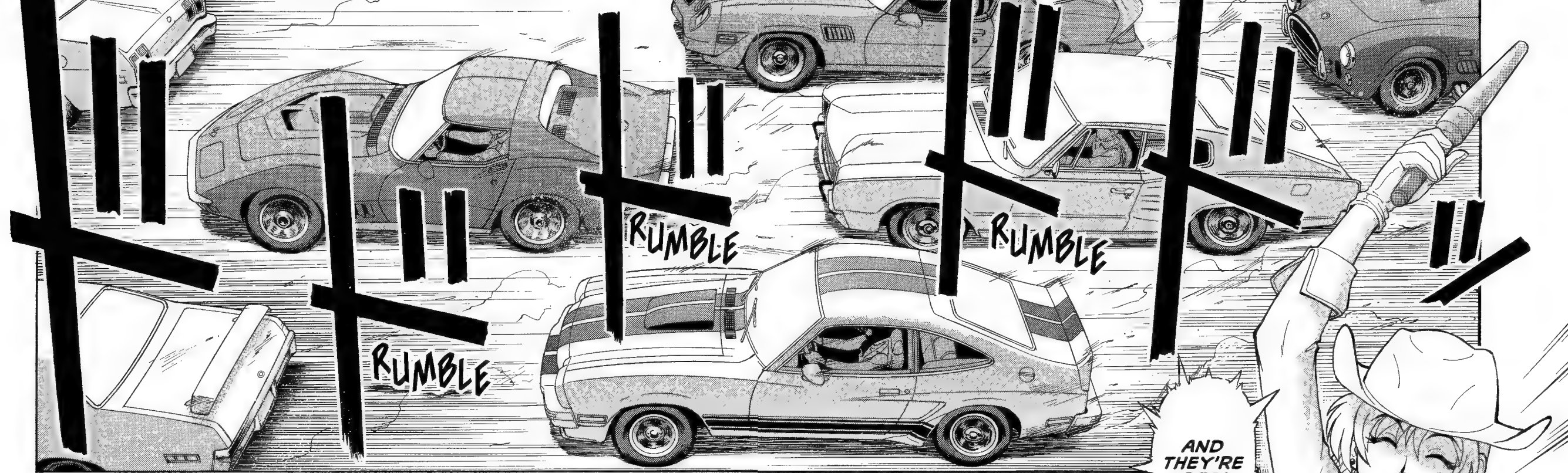


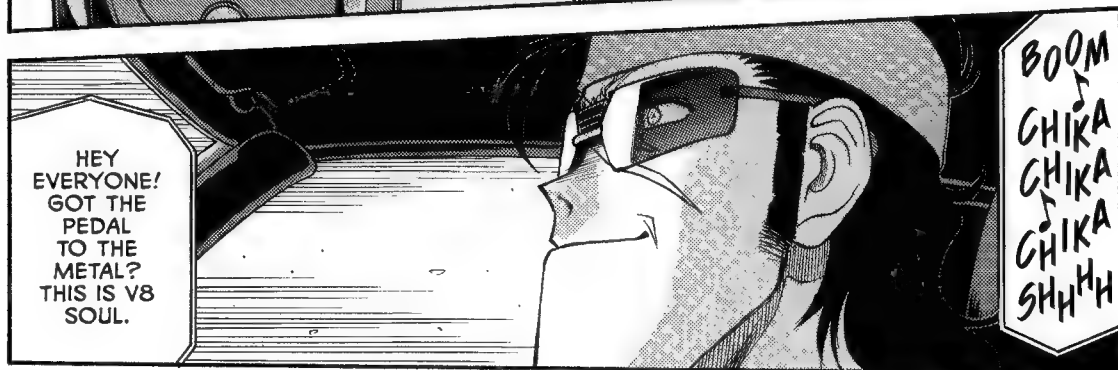
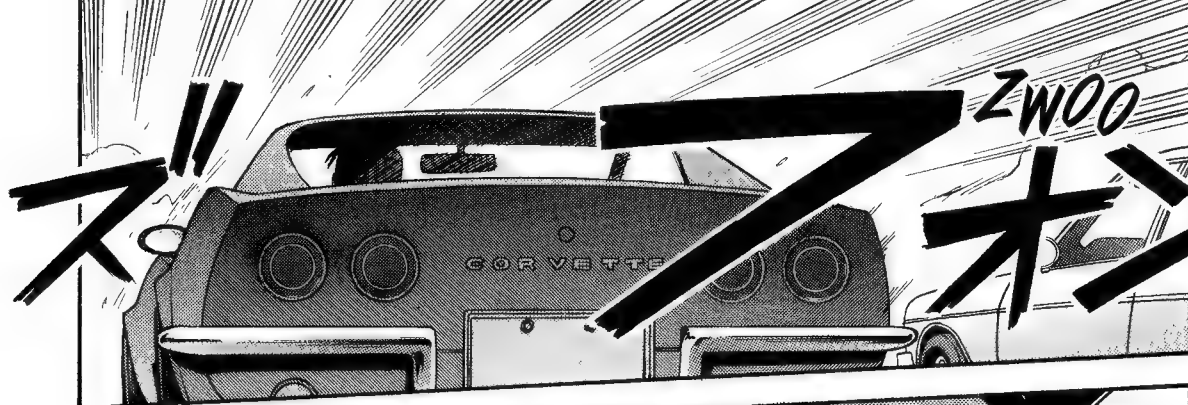




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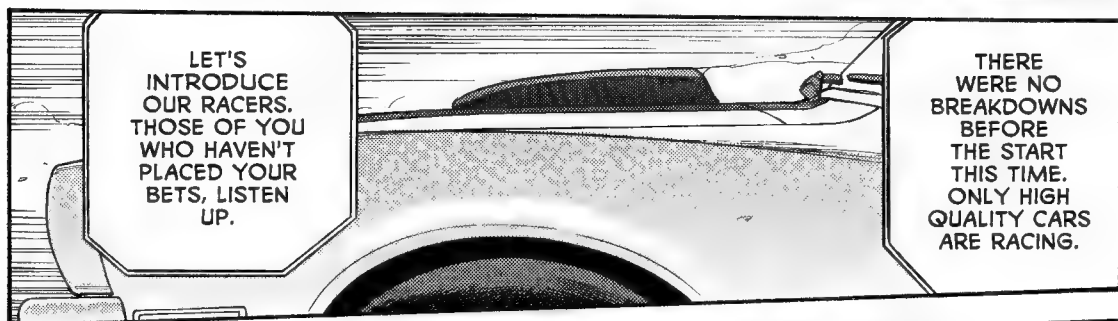






HEY
EVERYONE!
GOT THE
PEDAL
TO THE
METAL?
THIS IS V8
SOUL.

BOOM
CHIKA
CHIKA
CHIKA
SHHH



LET'S
INTRODUCE
OUR RACERS.
THOSE OF YOU
WHO HAVEN'T
PLACED YOUR
BETS, LISTEN
UP.

THERE
WERE NO
BREAKDOWNS
BEFORE
THE START
THIS TIME.
ONLY HIGH
QUALITY CARS
ARE RACING.

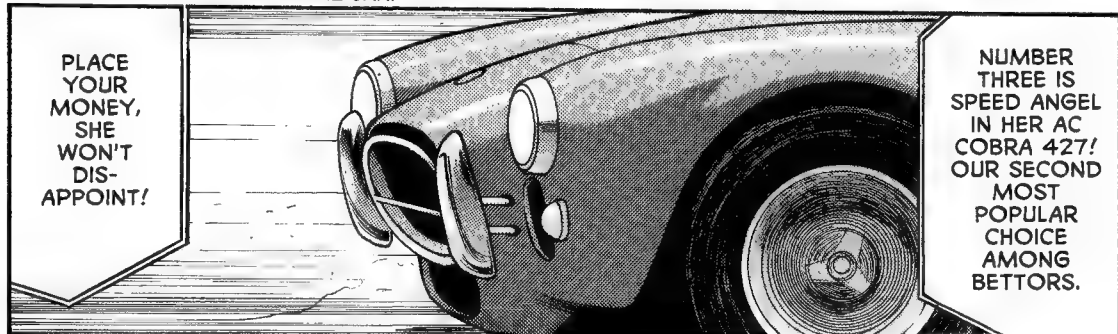


...IS BIG-
MOUTH TOM.
HE HAS A
Z-28 UNDER
THE HOOD,
BUT I'M A
BIT
WORRIED
BECAUSE
HE DOESN'T
HAVE A CHIN
SPOILER*.

NUMBER
TWO, IN
THE '70
CAMARO
RALLY
SPORT...

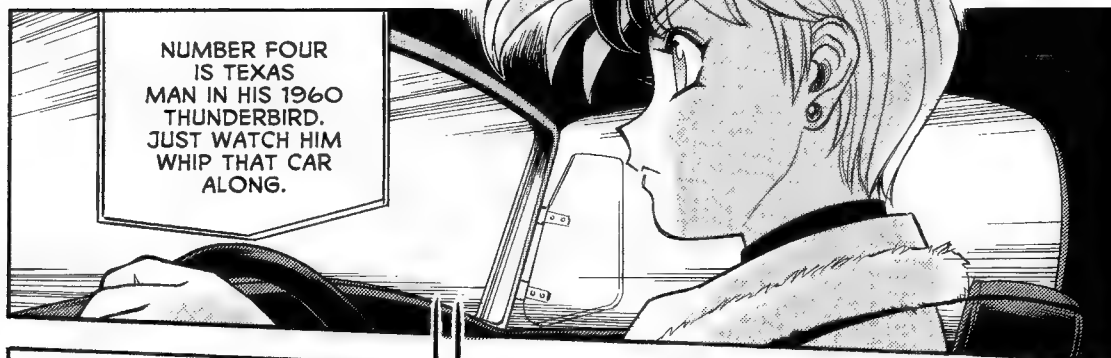
FIRST IS
THE
FAVORITE!
THE
WINNER
OF THE
LAST
RACE IN
HIS '69
CORVETTE,
ROAD
BUSTER!

*A SPOILER ON THE FRONT OF THE CAR.

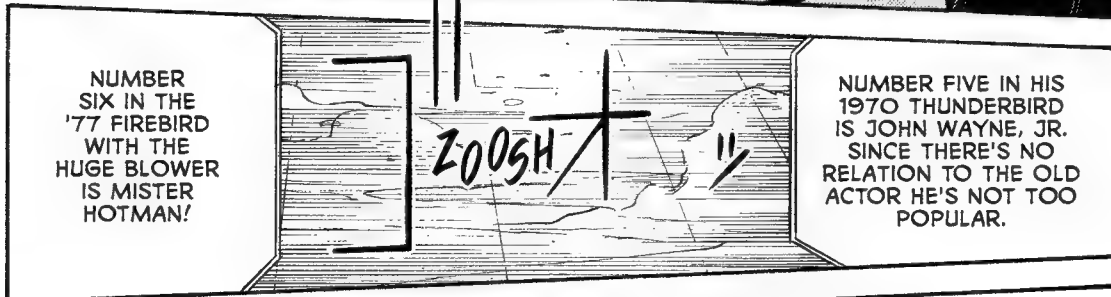


PLACE
YOUR
MONEY,
SHE
WON'T
DIS-
APPOINT!

NUMBER
THREE IS
SPEED ANGEL
IN HER AC
COBRA 427!
OUR SECOND
MOST
POPULAR
CHOICE
AMONG
BETTERS.



NUMBER FOUR
IS TEXAS
MAN IN HIS 1960
THUNDERBIRD.
JUST WATCH HIM
WHIP THAT CAR
ALONG.



NUMBER
SIX IN THE
'77 FIREBIRD
WITH THE
HUGE BLOWER
IS MISTER
HOTMAN!

NUMBER FIVE IN HIS
1970 THUNDERBIRD
IS JOHN WAYNE, JR.
SINCE THERE'S NO
RELATION TO THE OLD
ACTOR HE'S NOT TOO
POPULAR.



CAN NUMBER
EIGHT,
RUBBER
DUCK, FINISH
THE RACE
THIS TIME
IN HIS AC
COBRA
289?

TURN
ON THE
POLICE
RADIO. I
DON'T
WANT OUR
OWN GUYS
GETTING
IN THE
WAY.

VROOM



THAT'S
US.

NUMBER
SEVEN IS A
HOT '72
MACH 1
WITH A
BOSS 429,
AND A
NICE GUY.



I
COULDN'T
THINK
OF
ANY-
THING
BETTER.

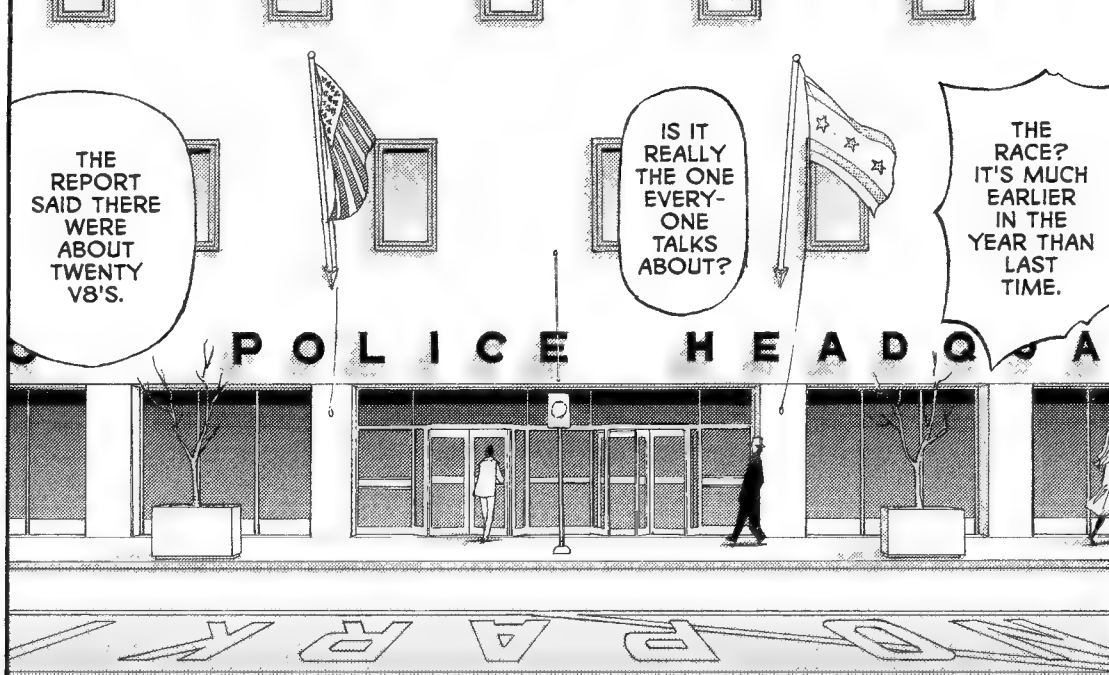
WHAT
KIND OF
NAME
IS
THAT?

THIS
IS THE
FIRST
RACE
FOR
THE
WHITE
AFRO.



COPS
SHOULD
BE
SHOWING
UP
ANY
MINUTE.

THERE'S
A WIG
IN BACK
FOR
YOU,
TOO.
PUT IT
ON.



THE
REPORT
SAID THERE
WERE
ABOUT
TWENTY
V8'S.

IS IT
REALLY
THE ONE
EVERY-
ONE
TALKS
ABOUT?

THE
RACE?
IT'S MUCH
EARLIER
IN THE
YEAR THAN
LAST
TIME.

P O L I C E H E A D Q U A R T E R S



HE'S
NOT
HERE
TODAY.

WASN'T
DETECTIVE
BACHARACH
INVESTIGATING
THE
RACE?

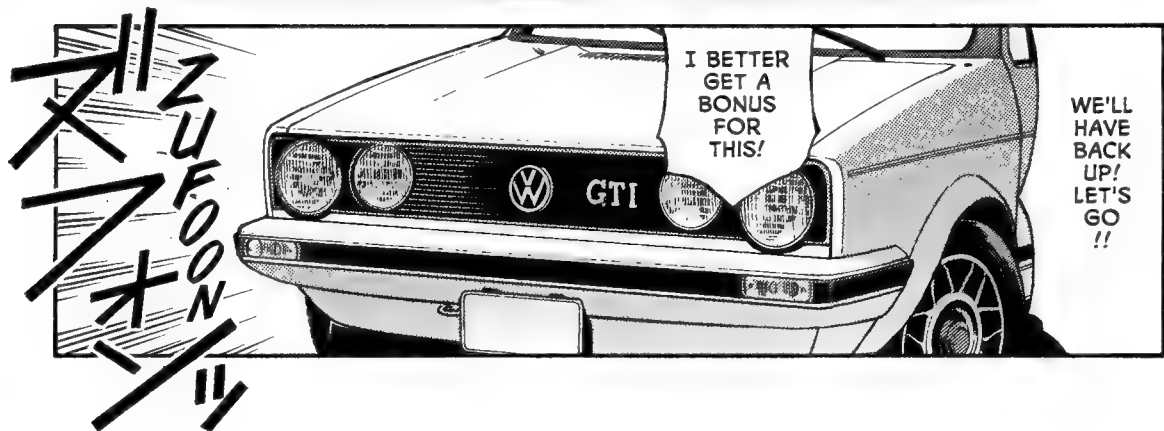
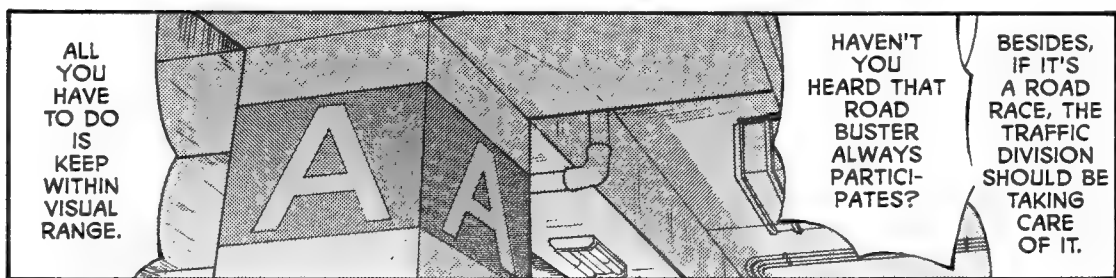
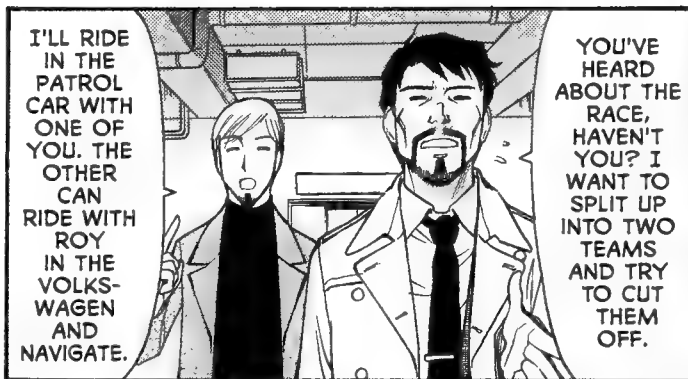
CAR
5283
IS IN
PURSUIT.

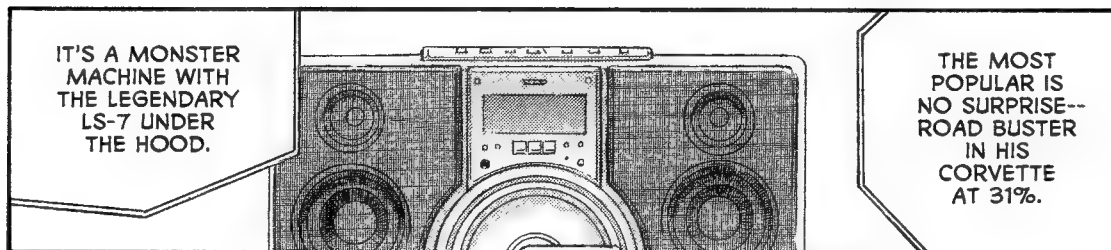
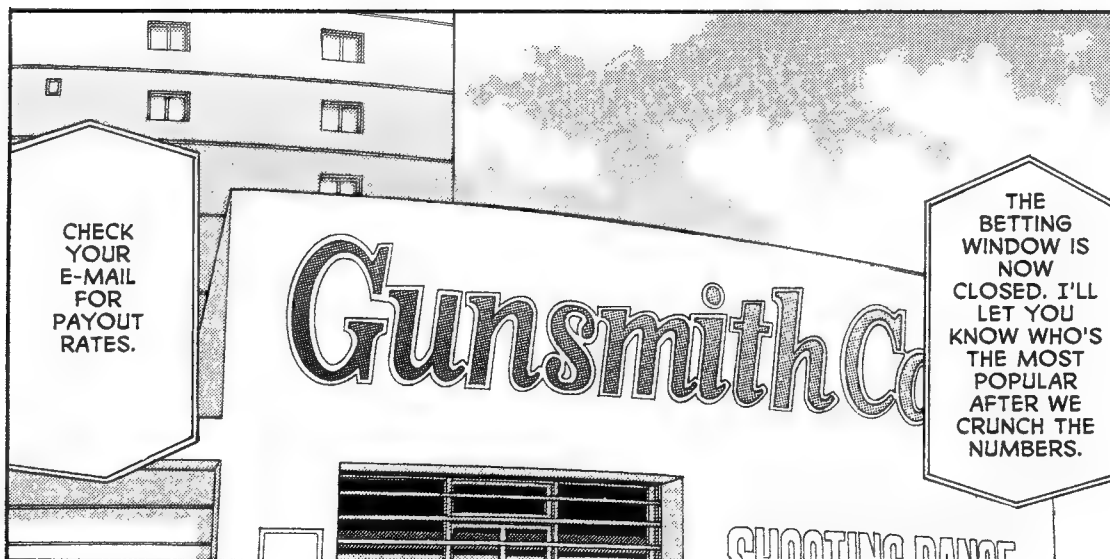


ROY! THERE'S
A GOOD
CHANCE
THE ROUTE
TAKES THEM
OUT OF
STATE.

WE'LL
JUST
HAVE TO
GET TO
THEM
FIRST!
WE'LL TRY
TO CUT
THEM
OFF!

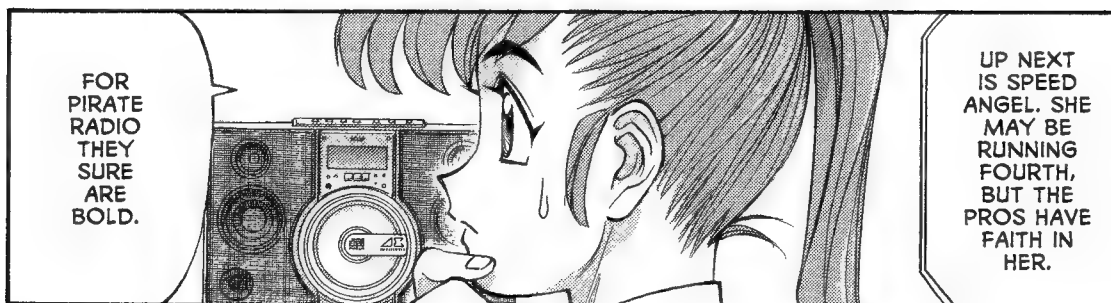
LET'S
GO,
JEFF
!!





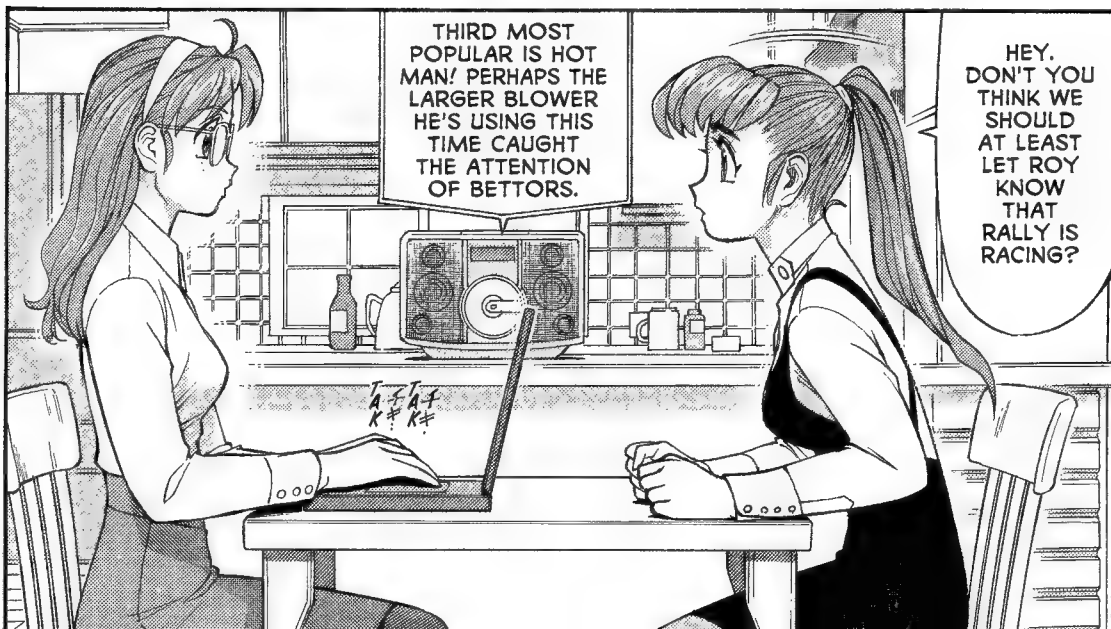
IT'S A MONSTER MACHINE WITH THE LEGENDARY LS-7 UNDER THE HOOD.

THE MOST POPULAR IS NO SURPRISE--ROAD BUSTER IN HIS CORVETTE AT 31%.



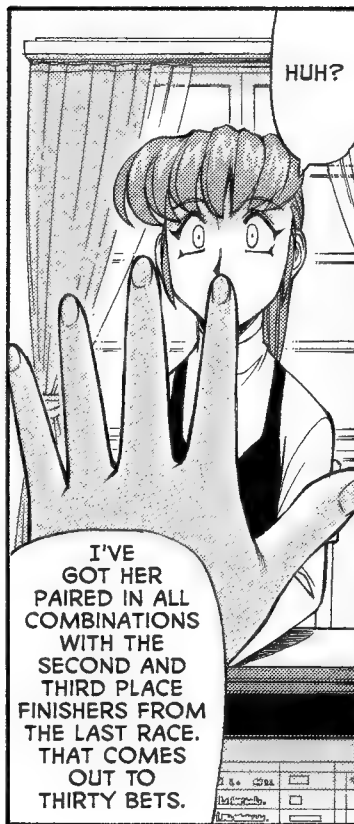
FOR PIRATE RADIO THEY SURE ARE BOLD.

UP NEXT IS SPEED ANGEL. SHE MAY BE RUNNING FOURTH, BUT THE PROS HAVE FAITH IN HER.



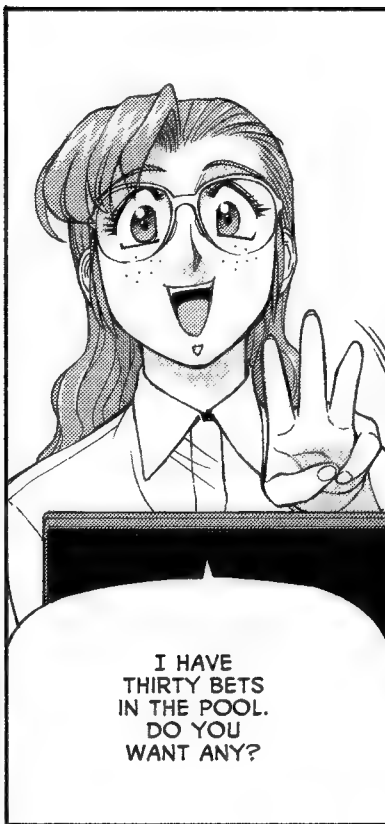
THIRD MOST POPULAR IS HOT MAN! PERHAPS THE LARGER BLOWER HE'S USING THIS TIME CAUGHT THE ATTENTION OF BETTORS.

HEY. DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD AT LEAST LET ROY KNOW THAT RALLY IS RACING?

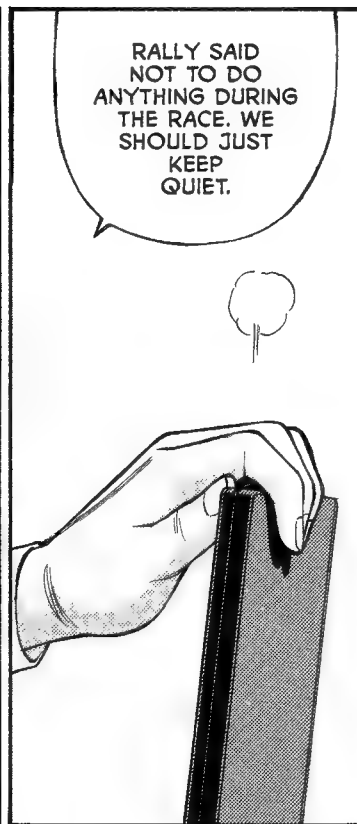


HUH?

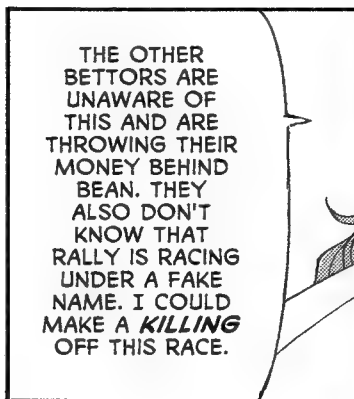
I'VE GOT HER PAIRED IN ALL COMBINATIONS WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD PLACE FINISHERS FROM THE LAST RACE. THAT COMES OUT TO THIRTY BETS.



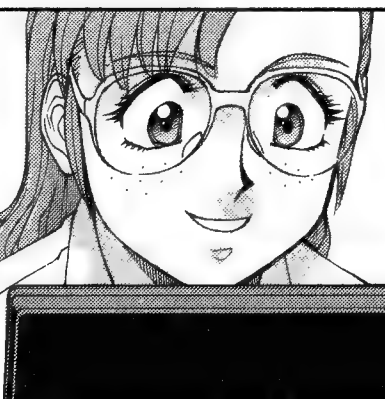
I HAVE THIRTY BETS IN THE POOL. DO YOU WANT ANY?



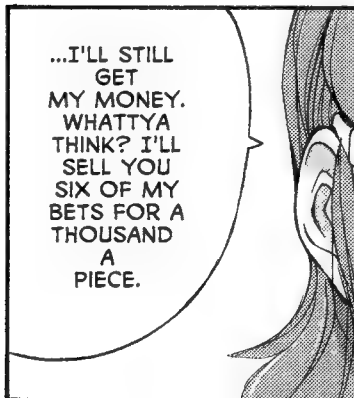
RALLY SAID NOT TO DO ANYTHING DURING THE RACE. WE SHOULD JUST KEEP QUIET.



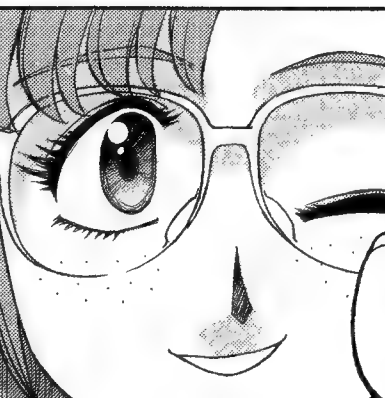
THE OTHER BETTORS ARE UNAWARE OF THIS AND ARE THROWING THEIR MONEY BEHIND BEAN. THEY ALSO DON'T KNOW THAT RALLY IS RACING UNDER A FAKE NAME. I COULD MAKE A **KILLING** OFF THIS RACE.



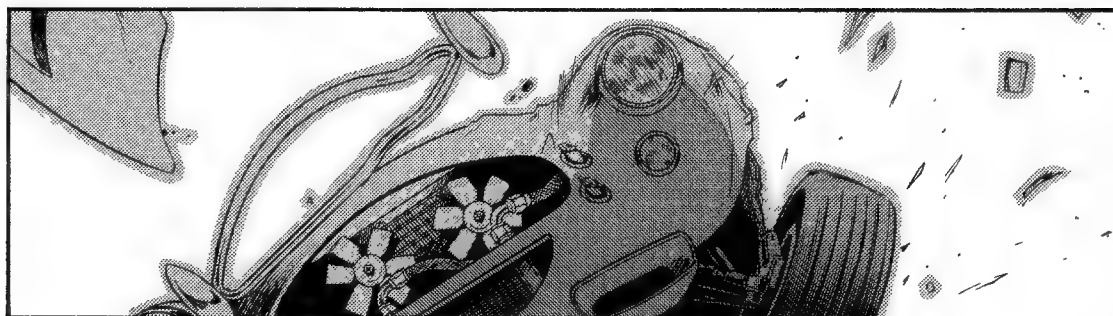
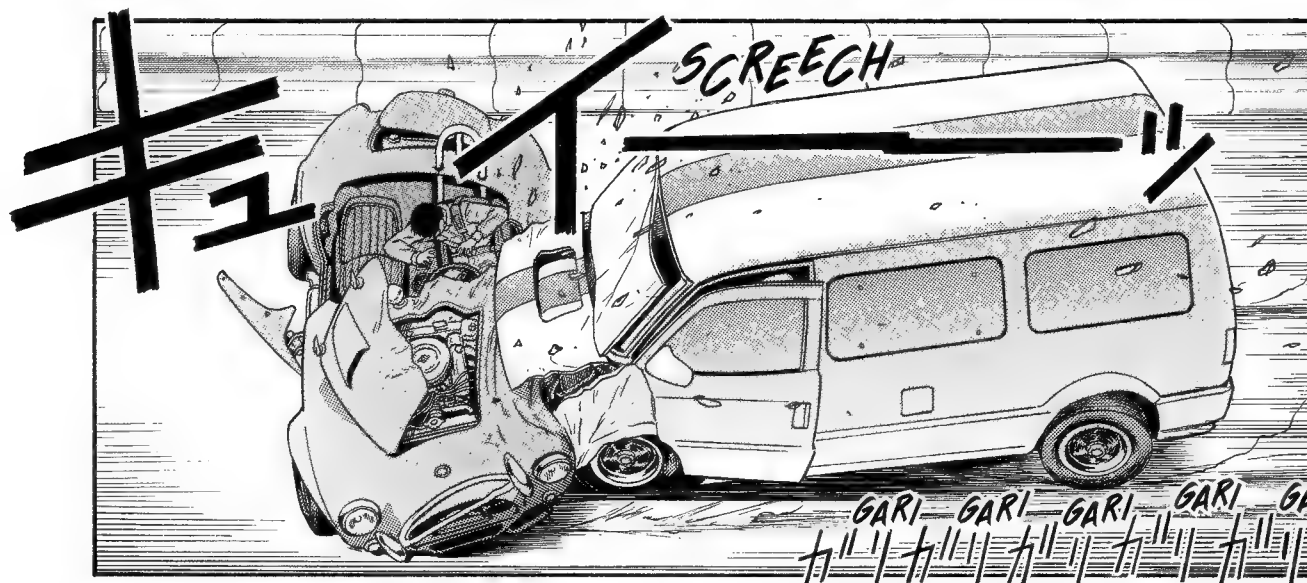
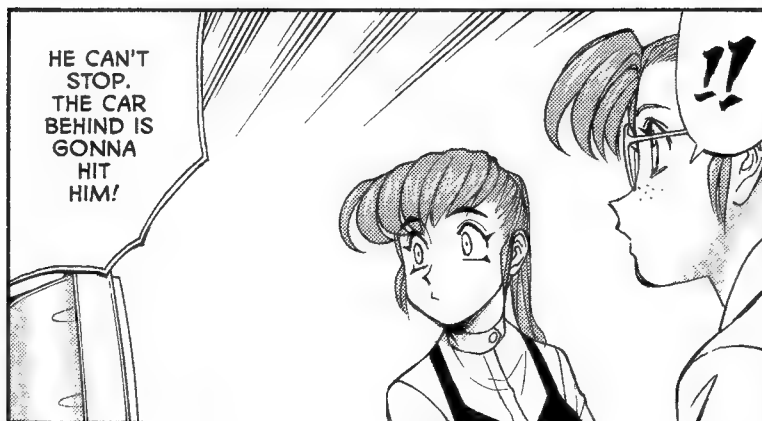
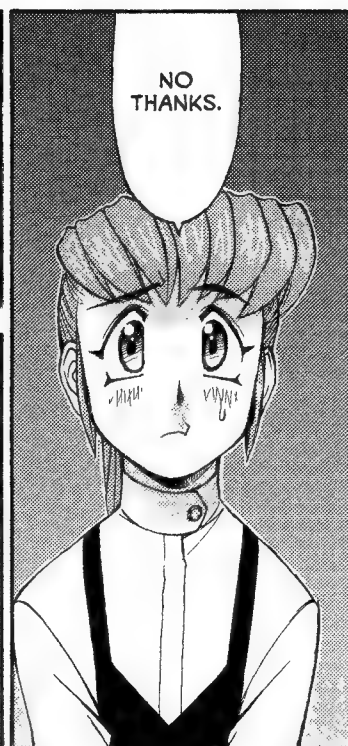
BEAN'S MORE FOCUSED ON KILLING PERCY THIS TIME. THAT MEANS NEITHER ONE OF **THEM** WILL WIN.

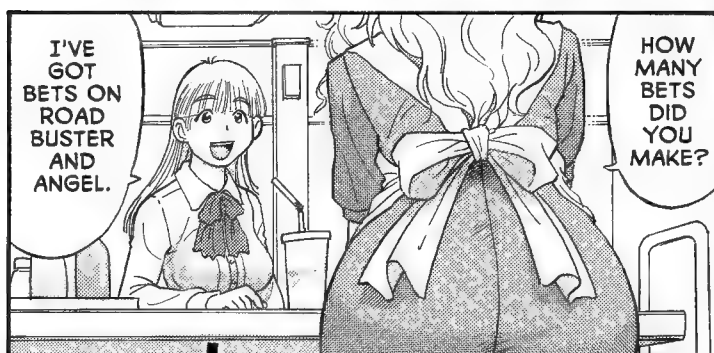
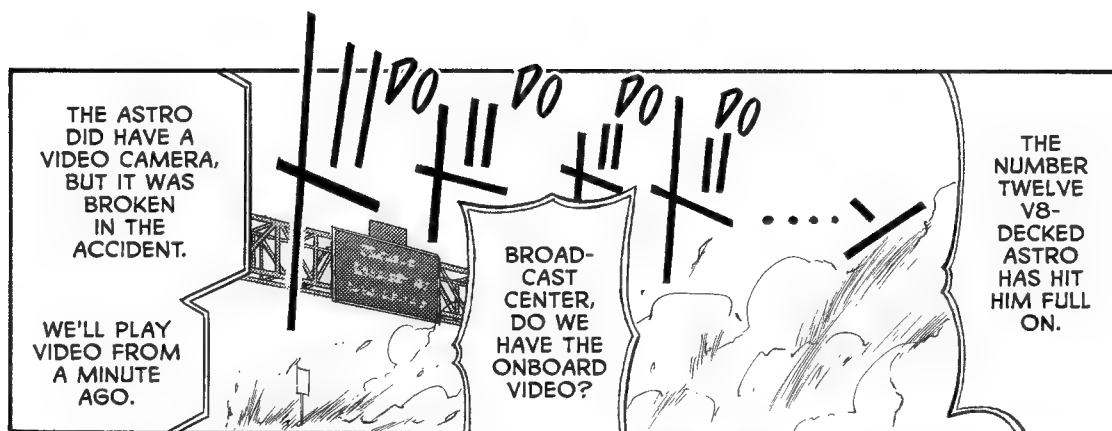


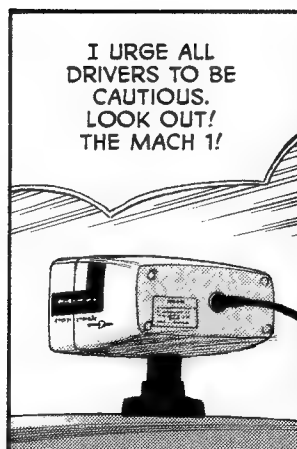
...I'LL STILL GET MY MONEY. WHATTYA THINK? I'LL SELL YOU SIX OF MY BETS FOR A THOUSAND A PIECE.



EVEN IF BEAN FAILS AND HIS ACCOUNTS ARE STILL FROZEN...





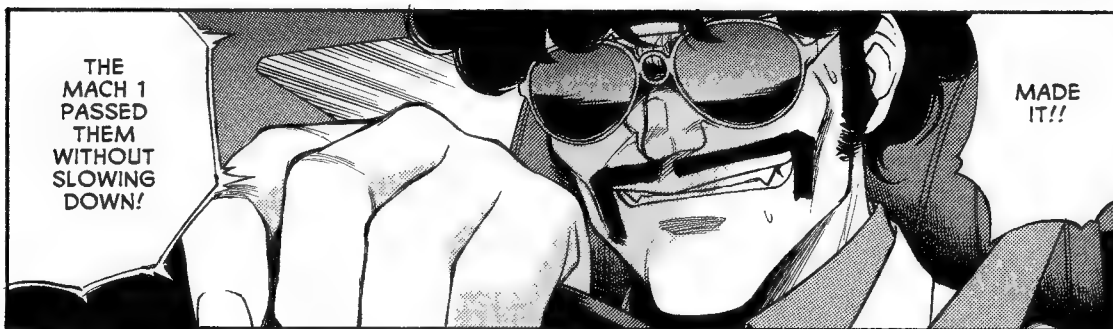
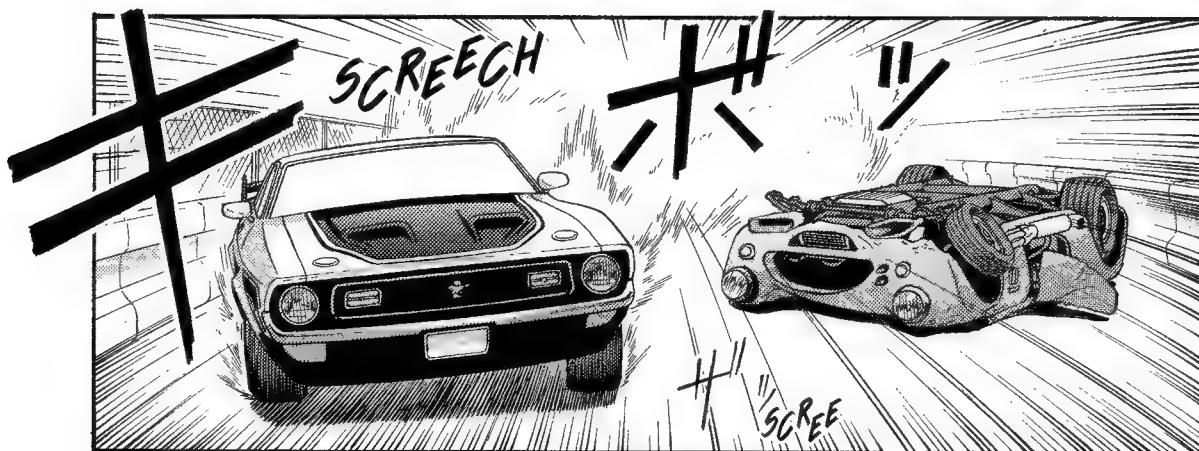


I URGE ALL
DRIVERS TO BE
CAUTIOUS.
LOOK OUT!
THE MACH 1!



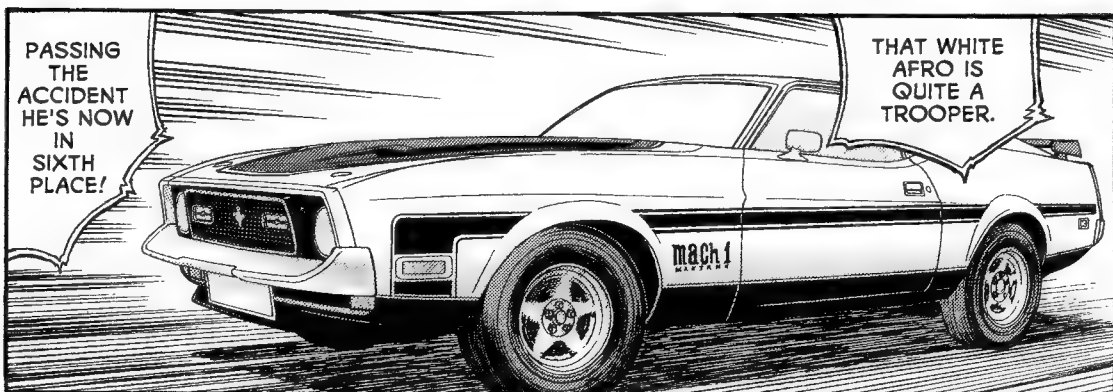
THE COBRA
THAT THE
ASTRO HIT IS
STILL IN THE
ROAD!

THEY
MAY
HAVE
THE
CAR'S,
BUT
THEY'RE
AMATEURS
WHEN IT
COMES
TO
DRIVING.



THE
MACH 1
PASSED
THEM
WITHOUT
SLOWING
DOWN!

MADE
IT!!



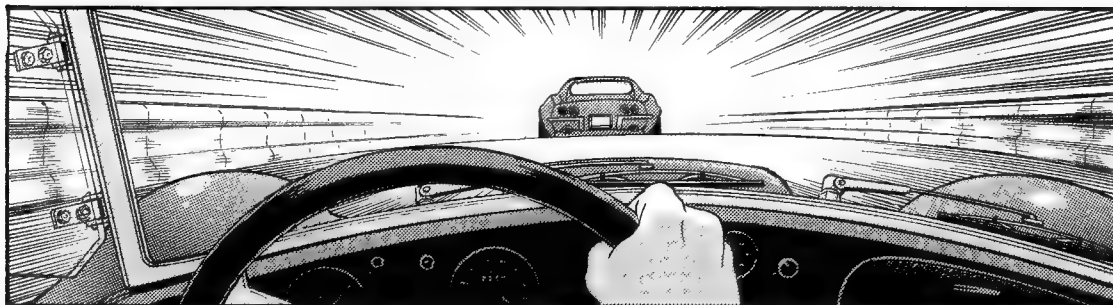
PASSING
THE
ACCIDENT
HE'S NOW
IN
SIXTH
PLACE!

THAT WHITE
AFRO IS
QUITE A
TROOPER.



I'M
WAITING
FOR
YOU,
PERCY.

THERE'S
ONLY
ONE
MACH 1
IN THE
RACE.



BEAN
BANDIT.

ROAD
BUSTER!
NO!

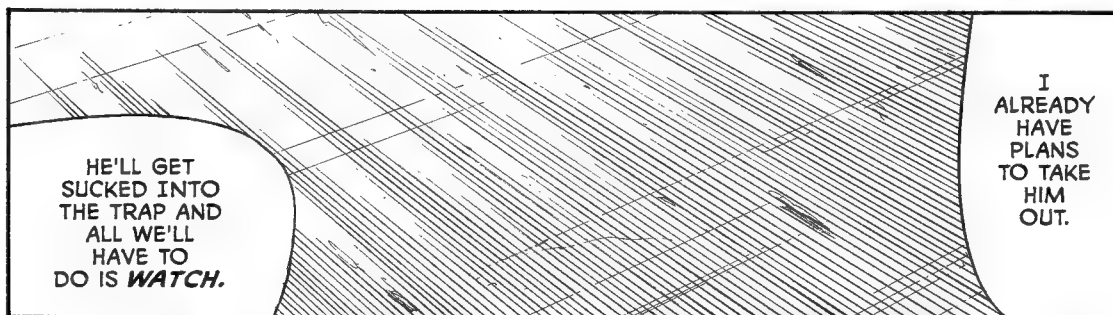
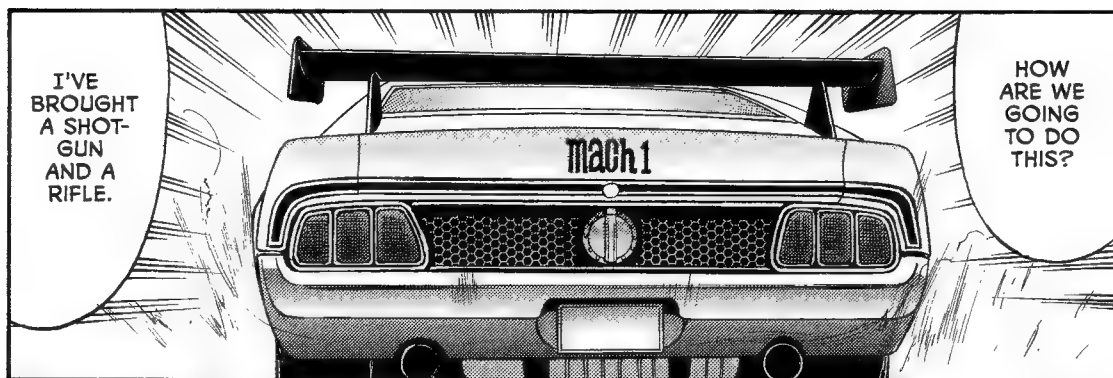


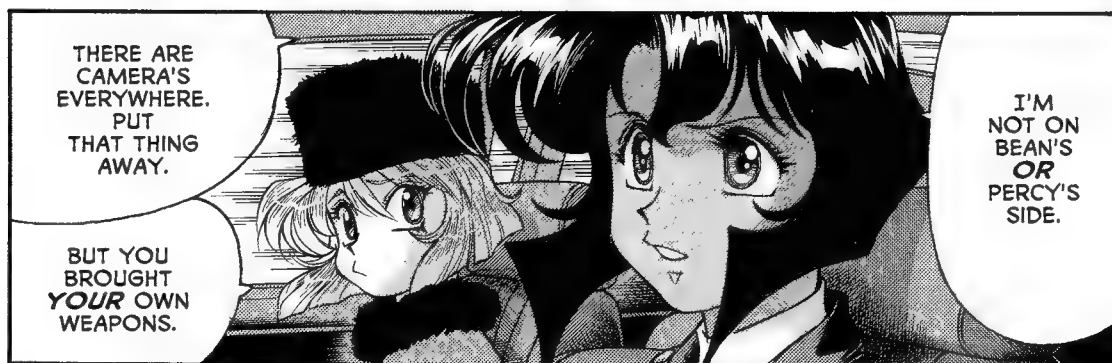
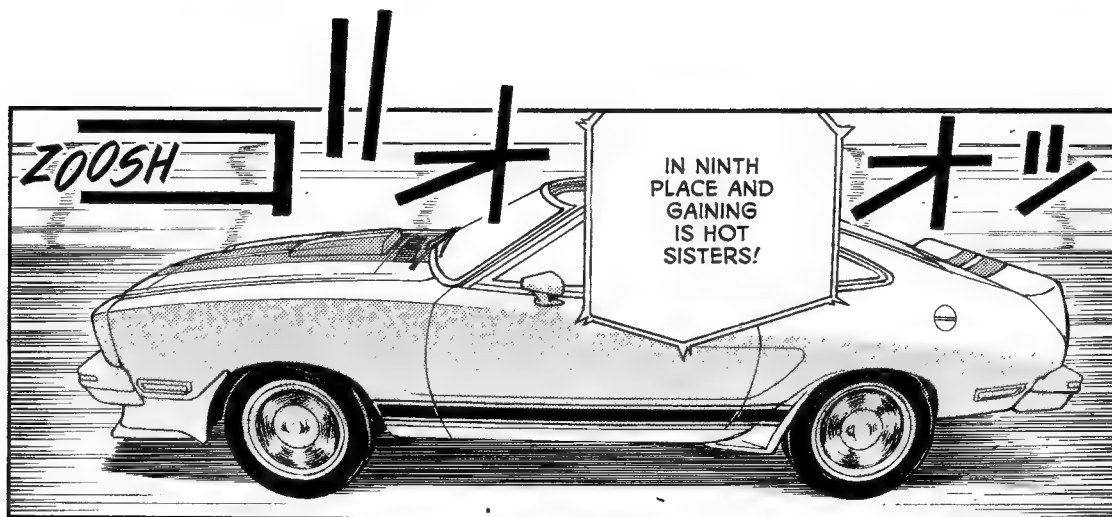
I ENDED
UP
CROSSING
FIFTEEN
SECONDS
AFTER
THE
WINNER.

WHEN WE
WERE
RACING
WITH RALLY,
JONES GOT
IN THE WAY
AND KEPT
ME FROM
WINNING.



THIS
TIME I'LL
COME
OUT ON
TOP!





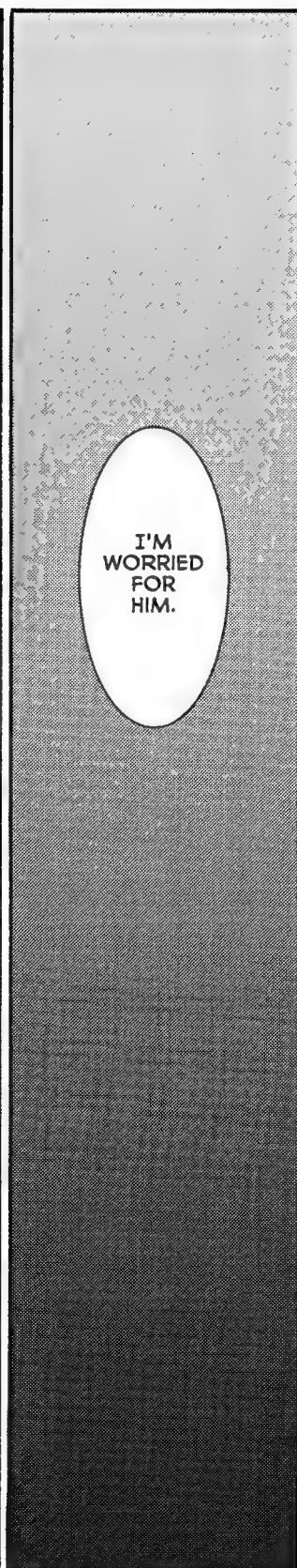


EVEN
THE EVENT
ORGANIZER
IS ON
MY SIDE.
YOU MIGHT
AS WELL
BE DEAD
ALREADY,
ROAD
BUSTER.



TIME
TO MAKE
PLANS.
THOSE
NOSY
WOMEN
MIGHT
TRY TO
STOP
ME.

HOW
SHOULD
I TAKE
CARE OF
THAT
CRAZY
DETECTIVE?

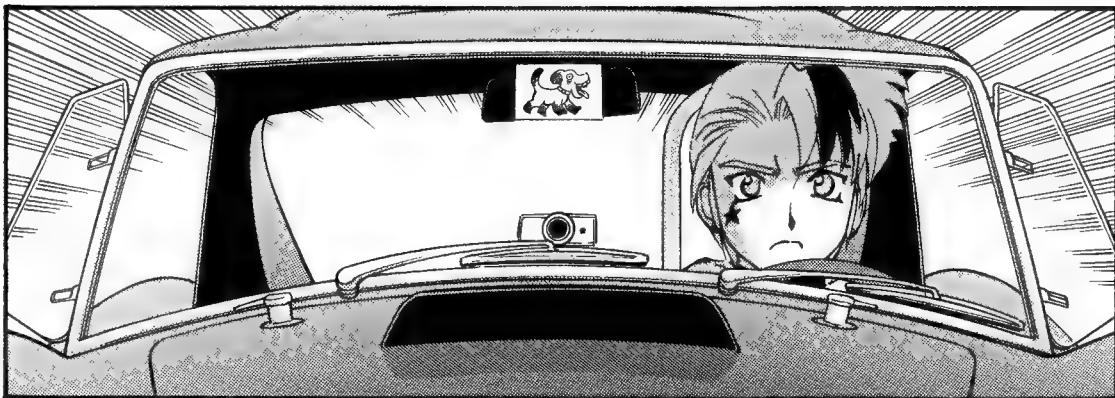
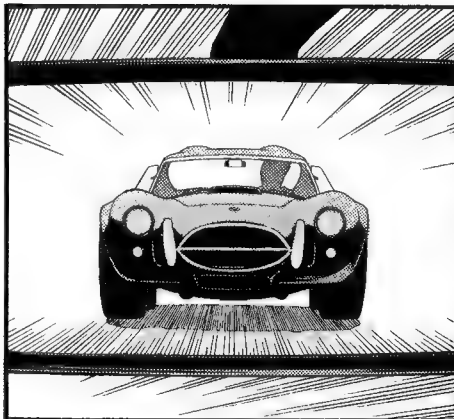
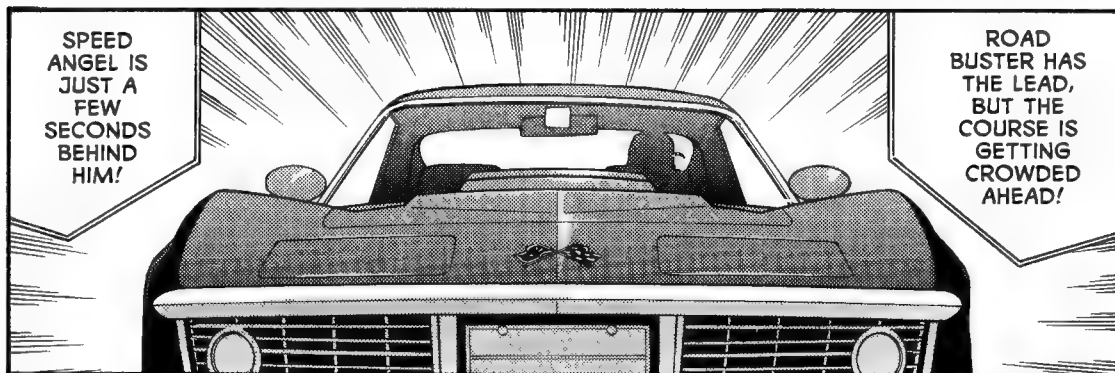
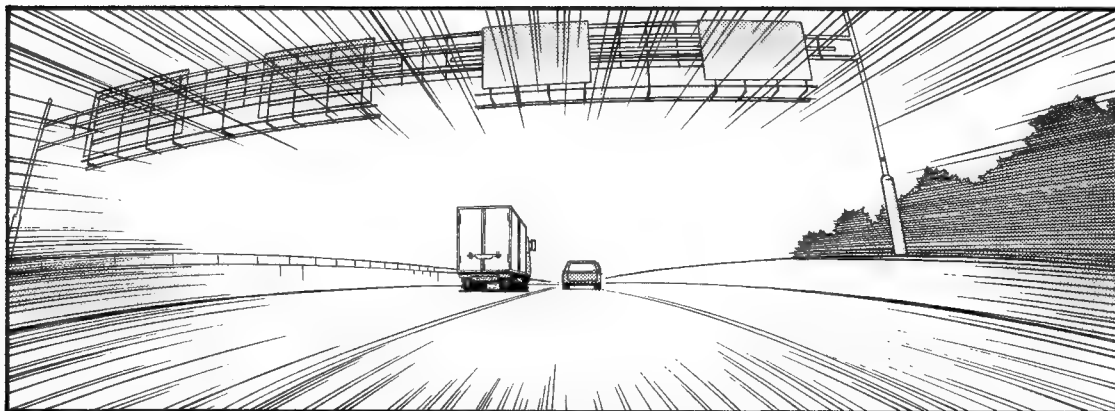


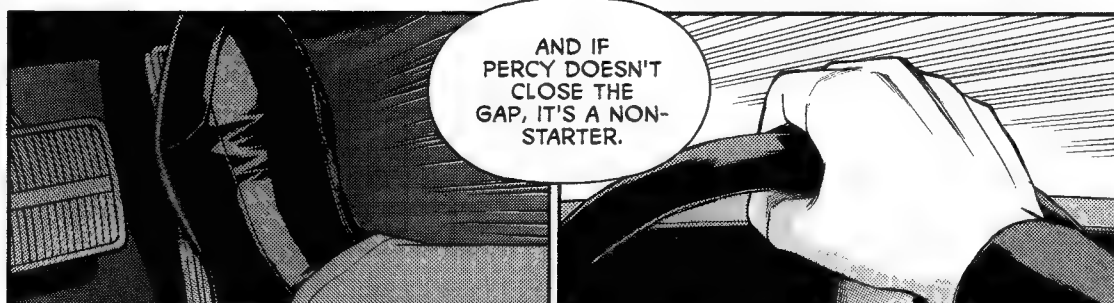
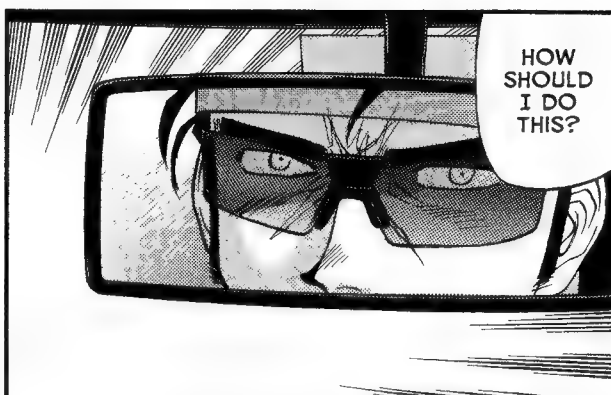
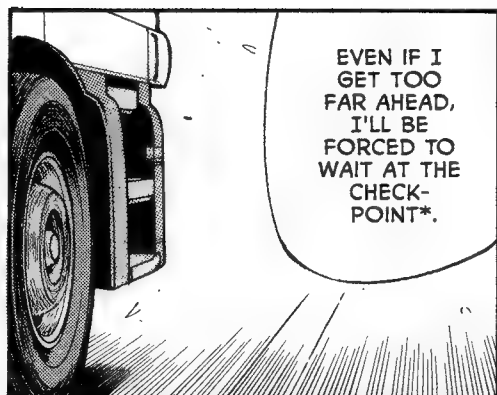
I'M
WORRIED
FOR
HIM.

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TRAFFIC JAM

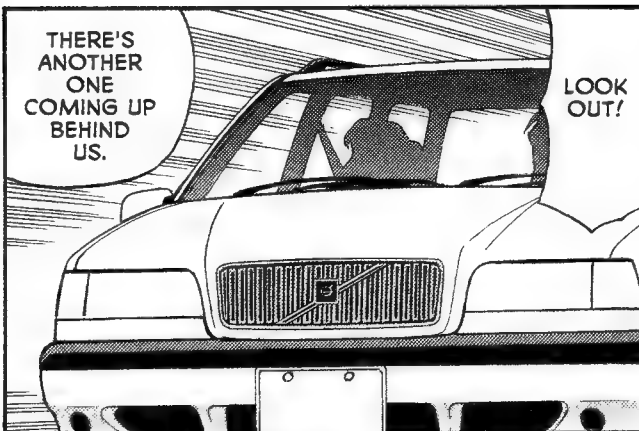






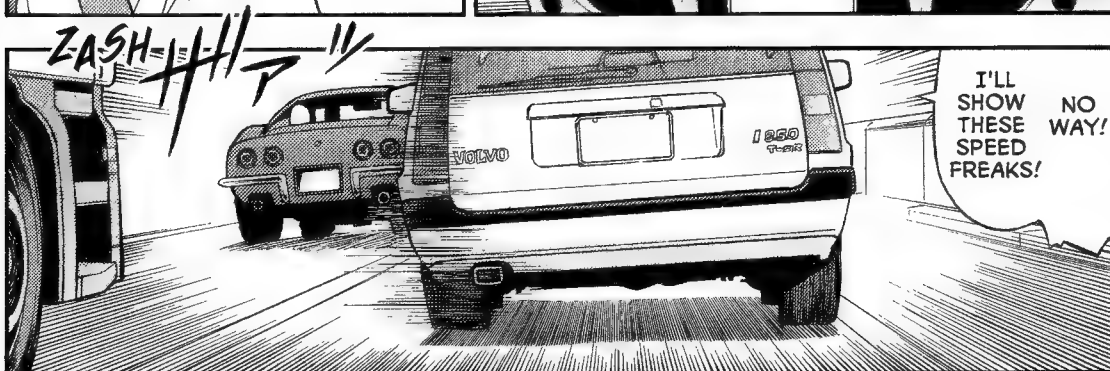


MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST LET THEM PASS.



THERE'S ANOTHER ONE COMING UP BEHIND US.

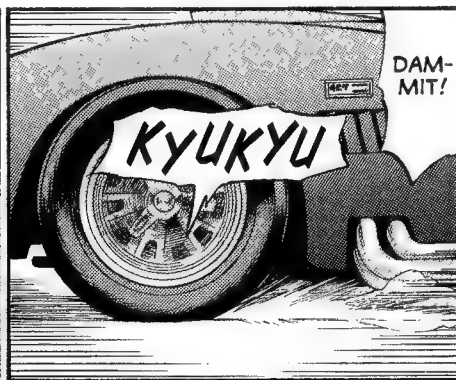
LOOK OUT!



I'LL SHOW THESE SPEED FREAKS! NO WAY!

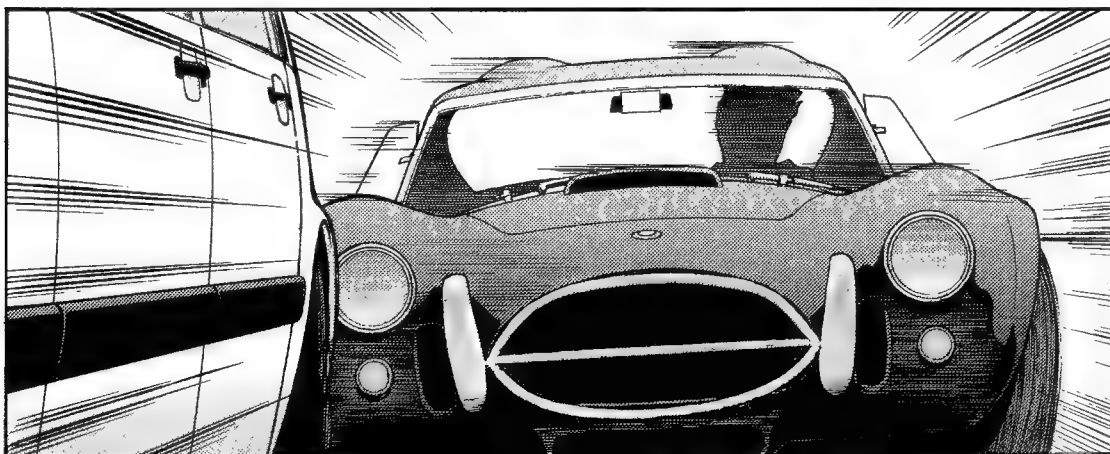


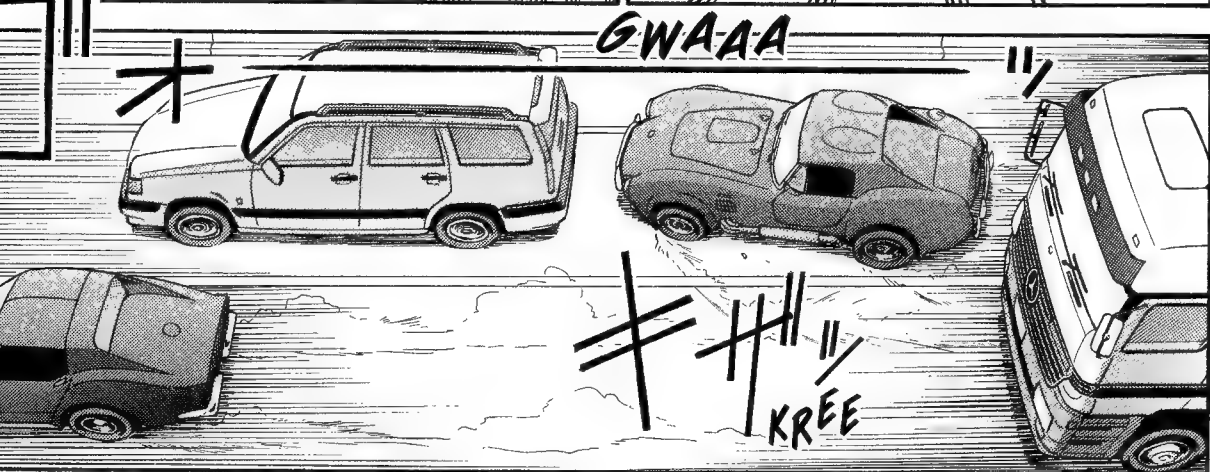
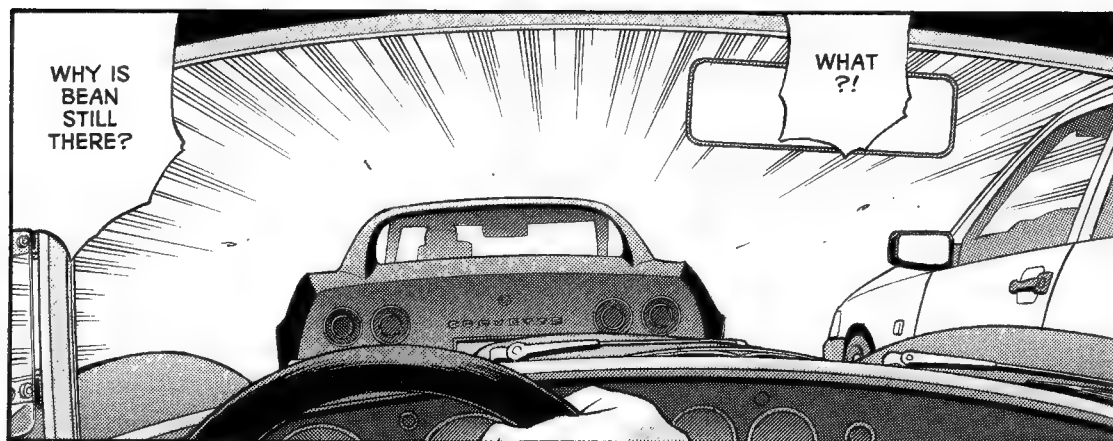
YOU'RE NOT IN THE RACE SO STAY OUT OF THE WAY!

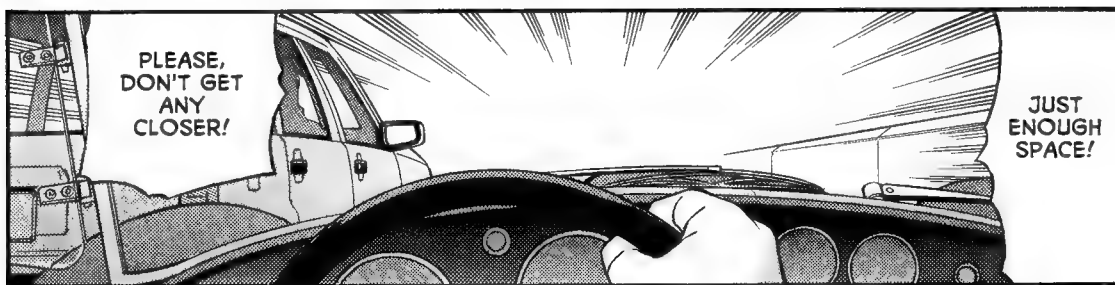
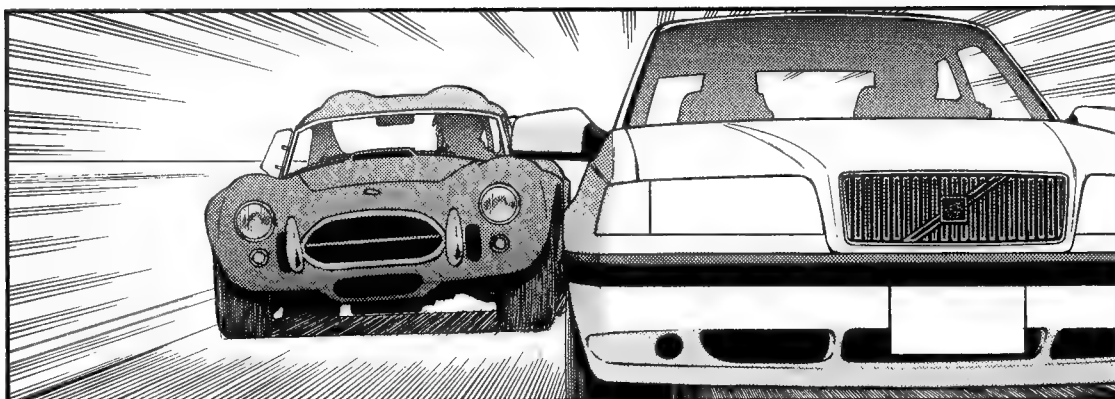


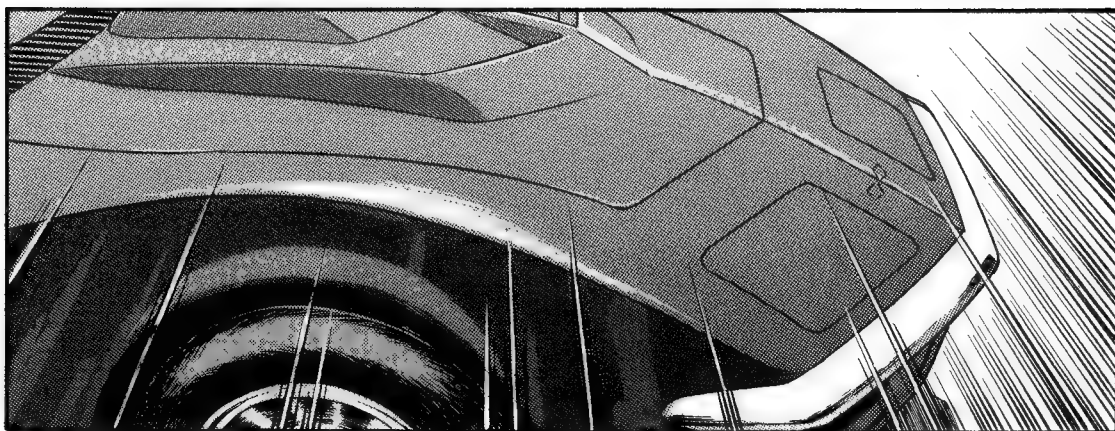
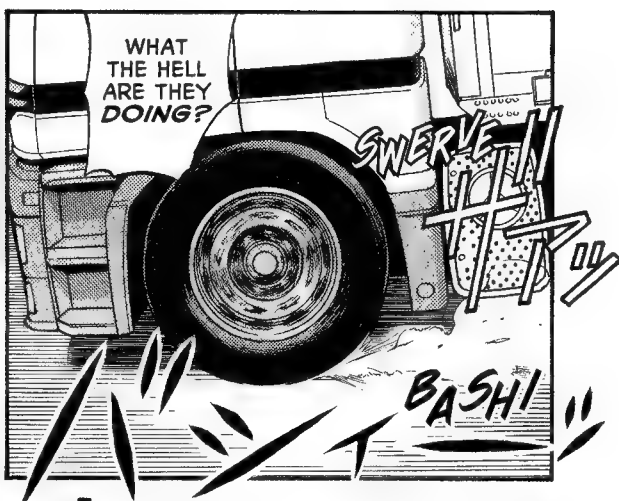
DAM-MIT!

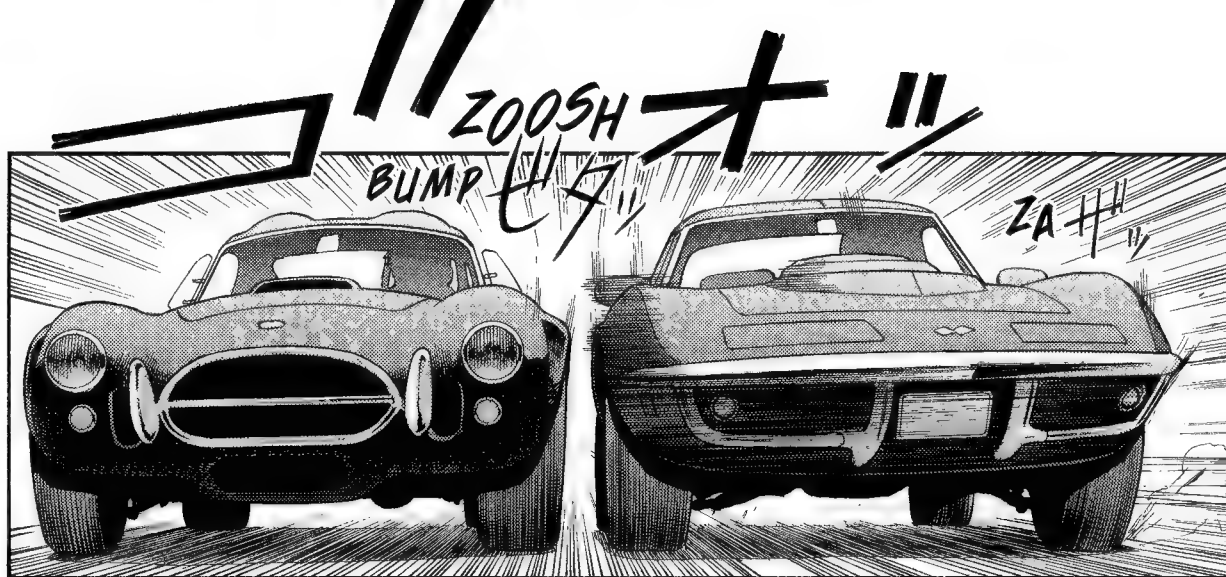
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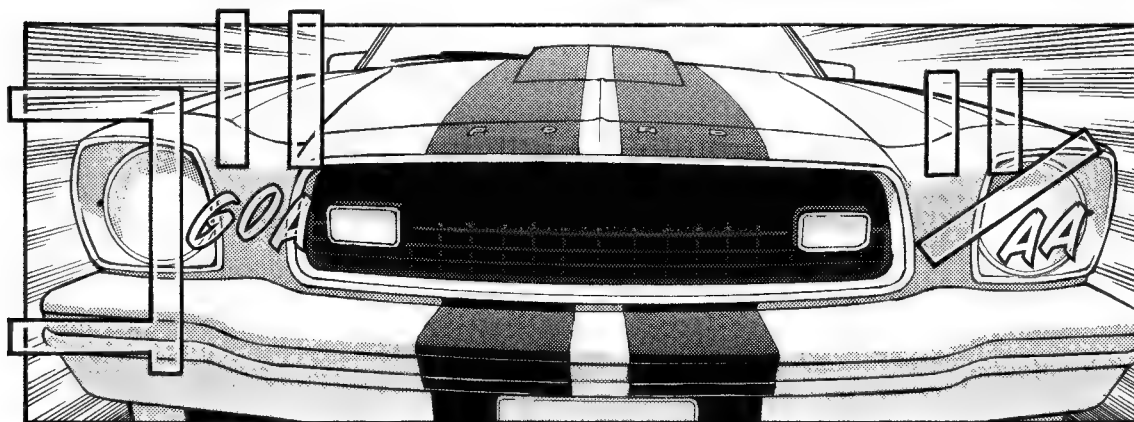


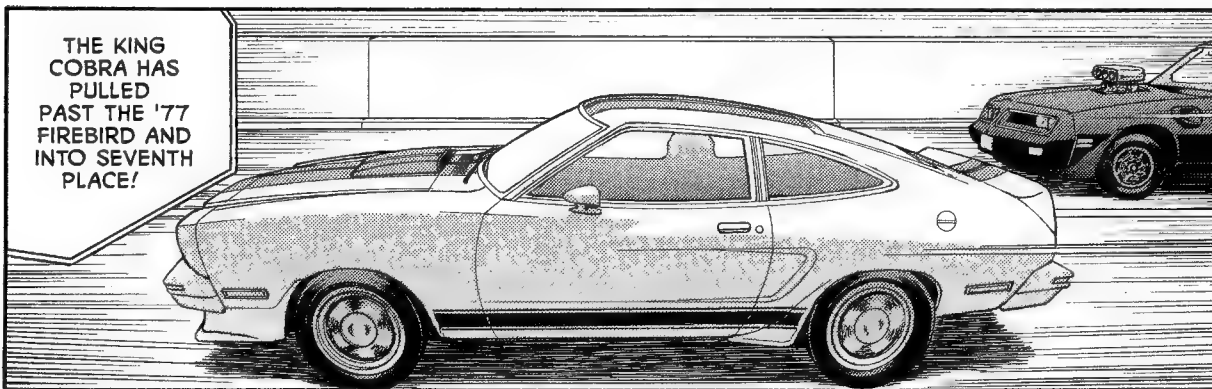












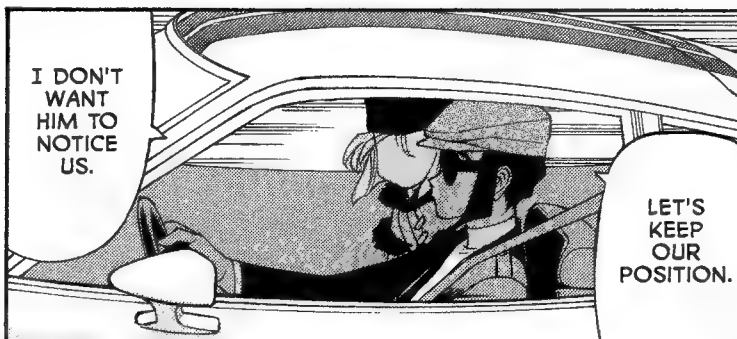
THE KING
COBRA HAS
PULLED
PAST THE '77
FIREBIRD AND
INTO SEVENTH
PLACE!



I HAVE A
FEELING
WE'LL BE
SEEING
SOME
PATROL
CARS
SOON.

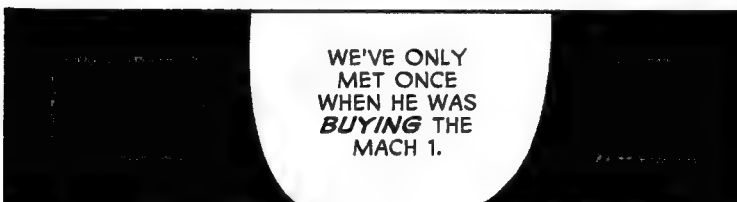
THERE'S
NO
WAY ANY
COPS
EXCEPT
ROY AND
JEFF
WOULD
RECOGNIZE
YOU
NOW.

WHAT
DO
YOU
THINK?



I DON'T
WANT
HIM TO
NOTICE
US.

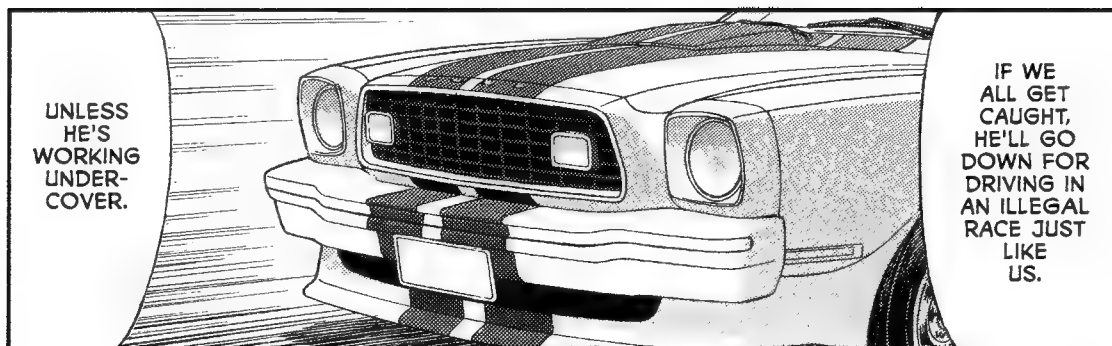
LET'S
KEEP
OUR
POSITION.



WE'VE ONLY
MET ONCE
WHEN HE WAS
BUYING THE
MACH 1.

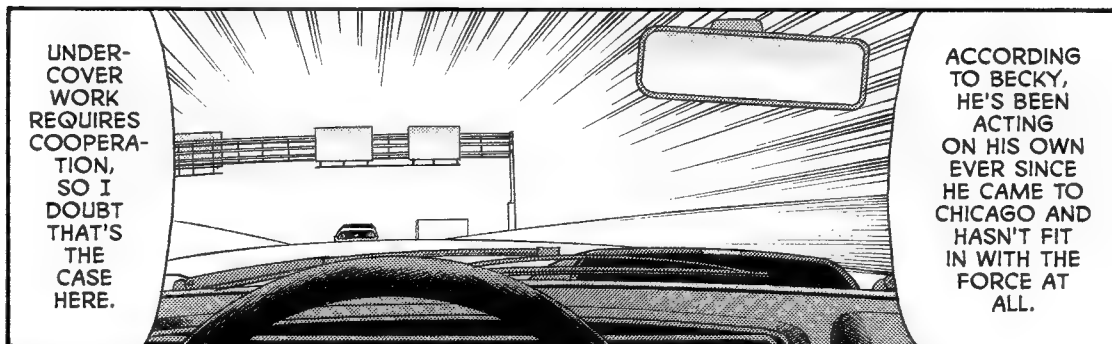


ACCORDING
TO THE
RADIO, THAT
DETECTIVE'S
MACH 1 IS
JUST AHEAD
OF US.



UNLESS
HE'S
WORKING
UNDER-
COVER.

IF WE
ALL GET
CAUGHT,
HE'LL GO
DOWN FOR
DRIVING IN
AN ILLEGAL
RACE JUST
LIKE
US.



UNDER-
COVER
WORK
REQUIRES
COOPERA-
TION,
SO I DOUBT
THAT'S
THE
CASE
HERE.

ACCORDING
TO BECKY,
HE'S BEEN
ACTING
ON HIS OWN
EVER SINCE
HE CAME TO
CHICAGO AND
HASN'T FIT
IN WITH THE
FORCE AT
ALL.

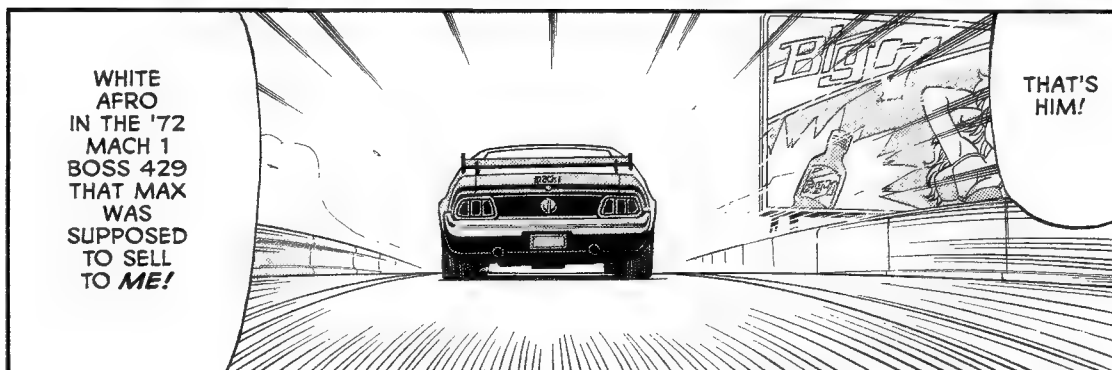


DUN-
NO.

NO
DOUBT
THEY'D
SEE
RIGHT
THROUGH
IT.

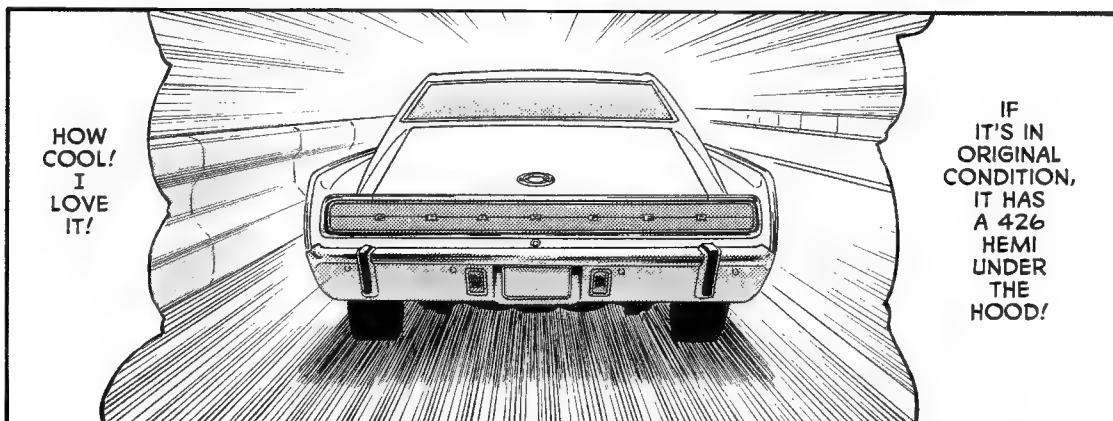
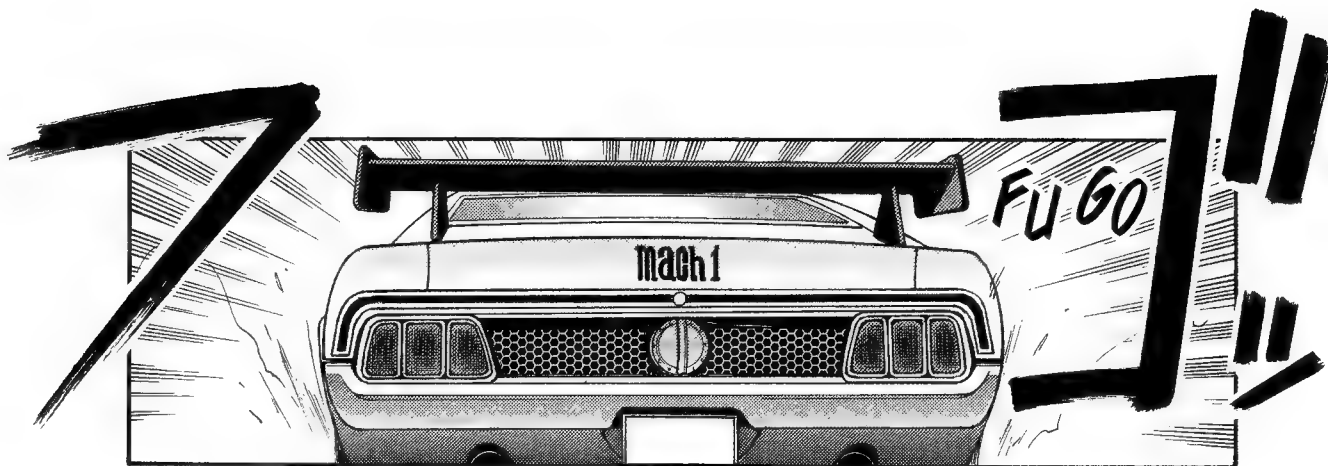


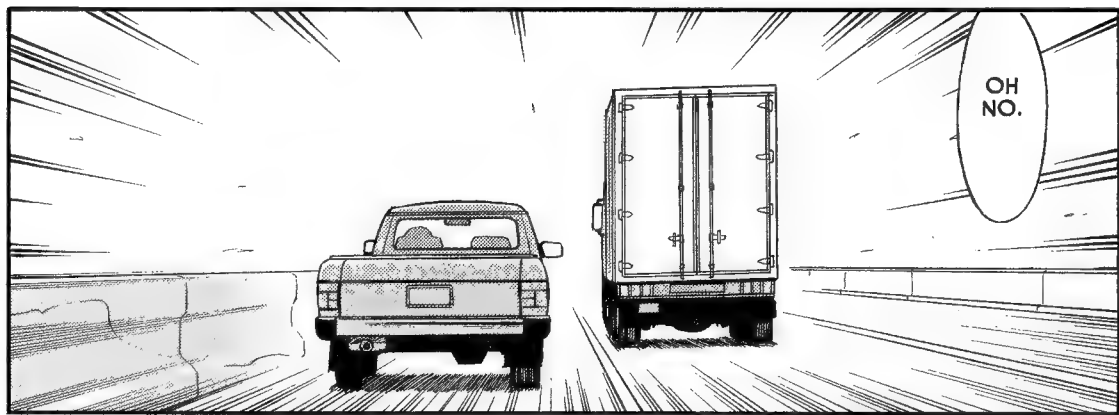
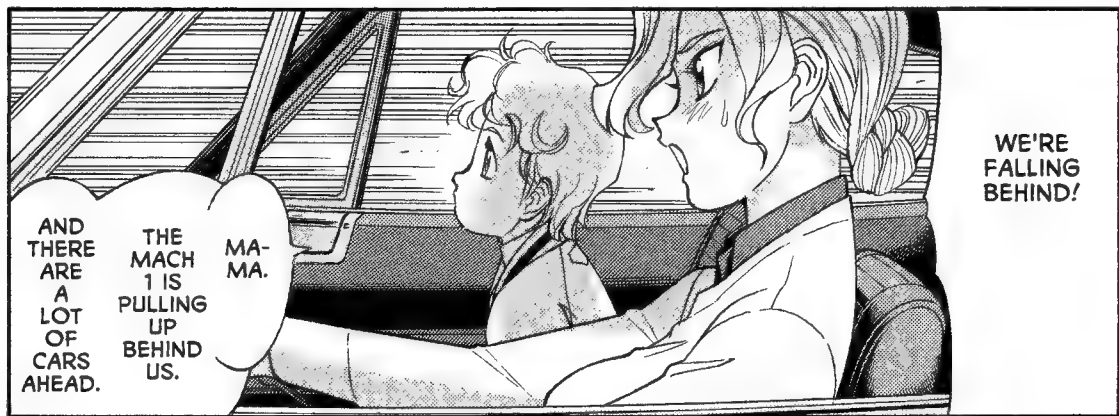
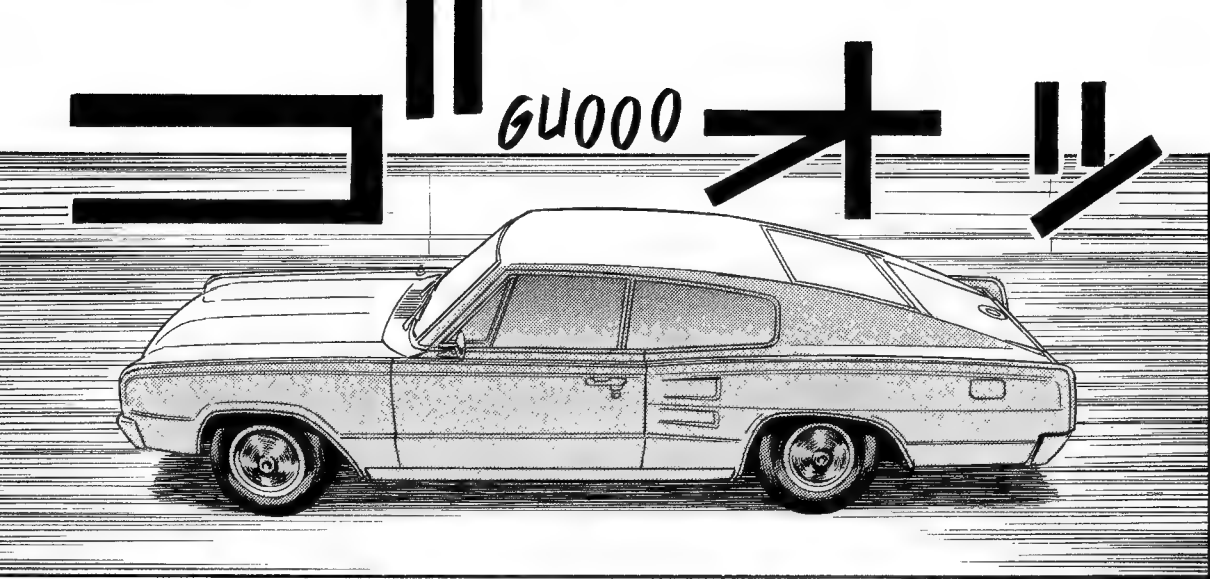
YOU
THINK
HE'S
WEARING
THAT
DISGUISE
SO OTHER
COPS
DON'T
RECOGN-
IZE
HIM?

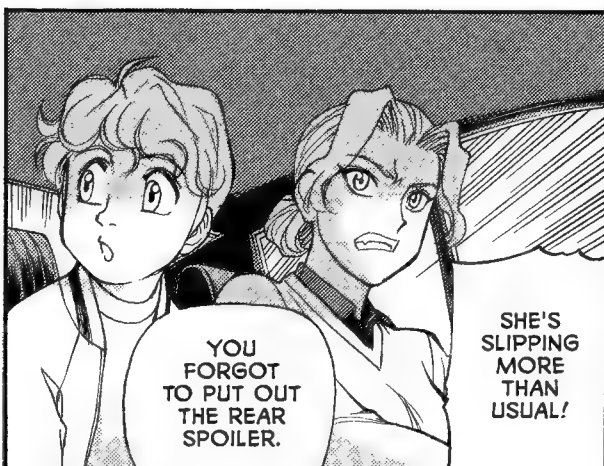
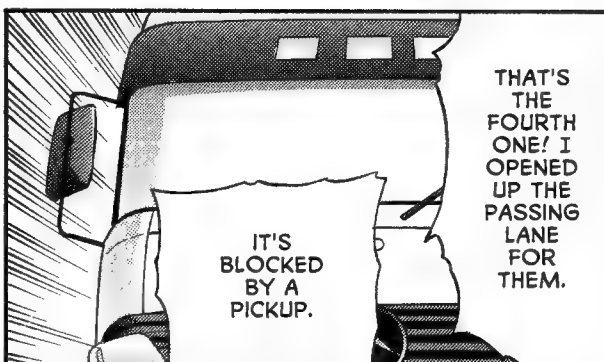


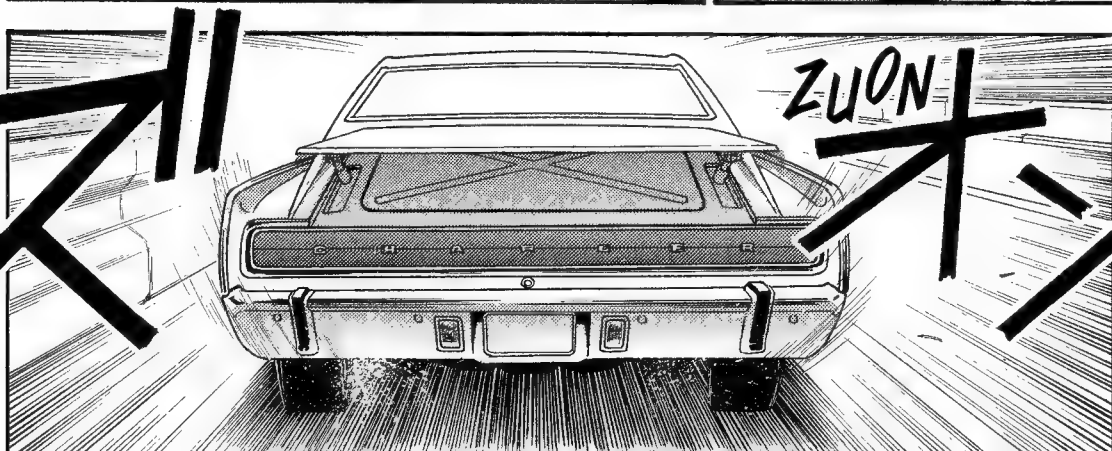
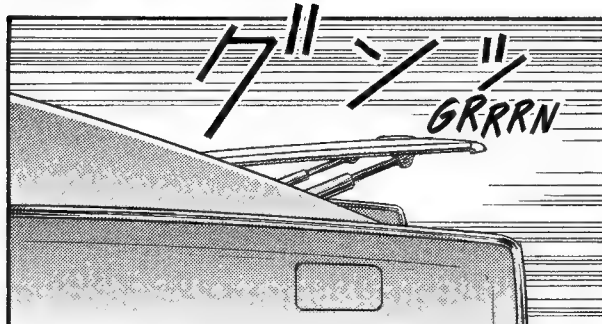
WHITE
AFRO
IN THE '72
MACH 1
BOSS 429
THAT MAX
WAS
SUPPOSED
TO SELL
TO *ME!*

THAT'S
HIM!









THE MACH 1
ALSO MADE
IT THROUGH
TRAFFIC AND
IS NOW
EIGHTEEN
YARDS
BEHIND THE
CHARGER!



THE
CHARGER
IN FIFTH
PLACE IS
PULLING
AHEAD
THANKS
TO ITS
CUSTOM-
IZATION!

THERE'S
NOTHING
ELSE
GETTING IN
THE WAY
OF THE
DRIVERS UP
TO THE
FIRST
CHECKPOINT.
I DON'T
SPOT ANY
PATROL
CARS!

LOUD AND
CLEAR, AND
SEXY.

REPORTING
FROM
ON HIGH.
ARE YOU
RECEIVING
ME,
MR. V8
SOUL?



BATA BATA BATA BATA BATA BATA BATA BATA BATA

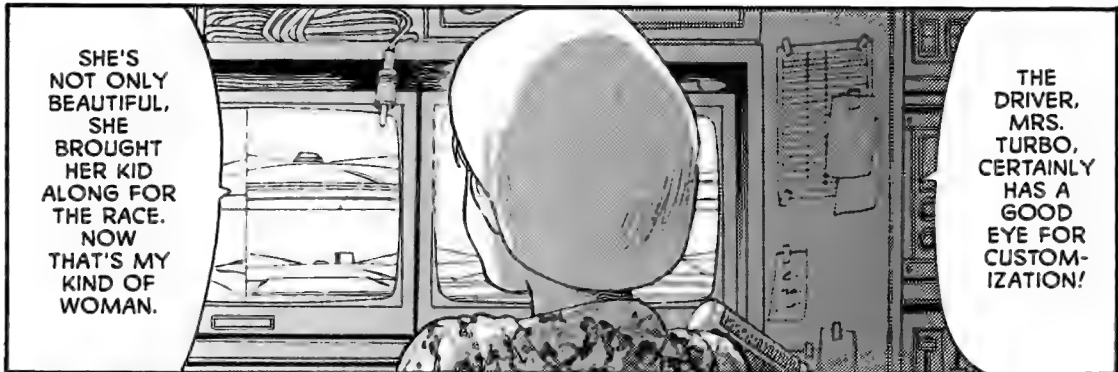
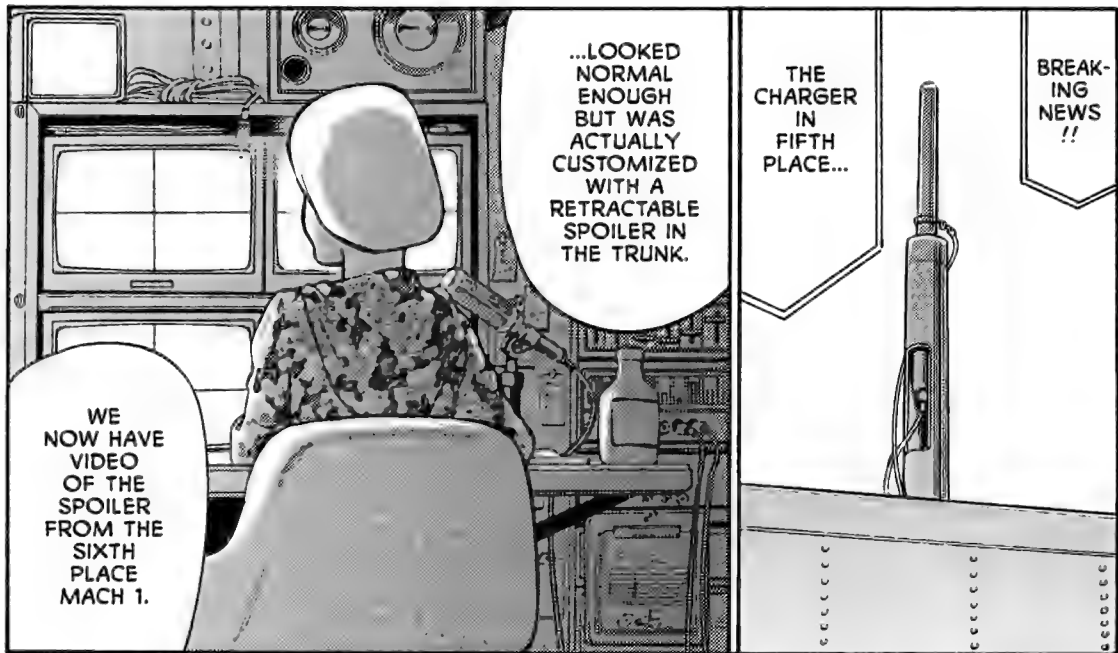
THEY
SHOULD
REACH IT
IN ABOUT
FIVE
MINUTES.

THE AC COBRA
AND CORVETTE
HAVE SWITCHED
POSITIONS AND
ARE APPROACHING
THE CHECKPOINT
WITH ABOUT
THIRTY YARDS
BETWEEN
THEM!

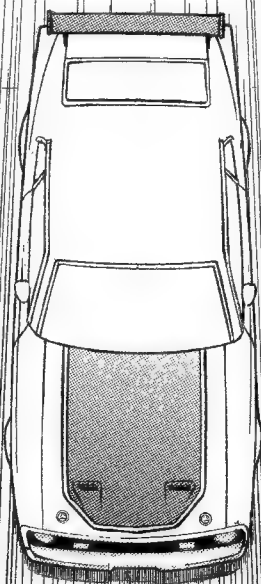
IS BEAN
HAVING A
BAD RACE,
OR ANGEL
A GOOD
ONE?

THANK
YOU!
KEEP US
UP-
DATED!

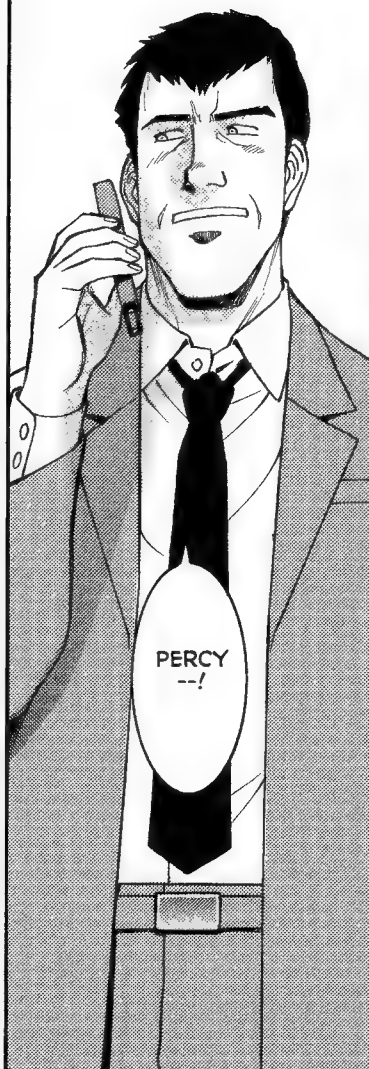
B/P



I'M SURE
YOU'RE
FOLLOWING
THE RACE.
WE'RE
GETTING
CLOSE TO
THE FIRST
CHECKPOINT.



REY-
NOLDS?
IT'S
ME!



PERCY
--!

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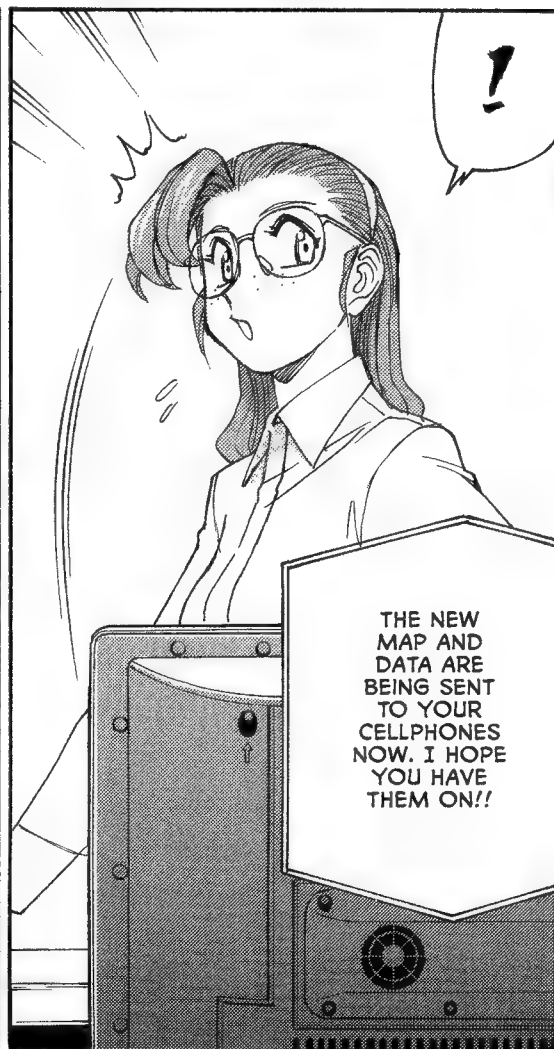
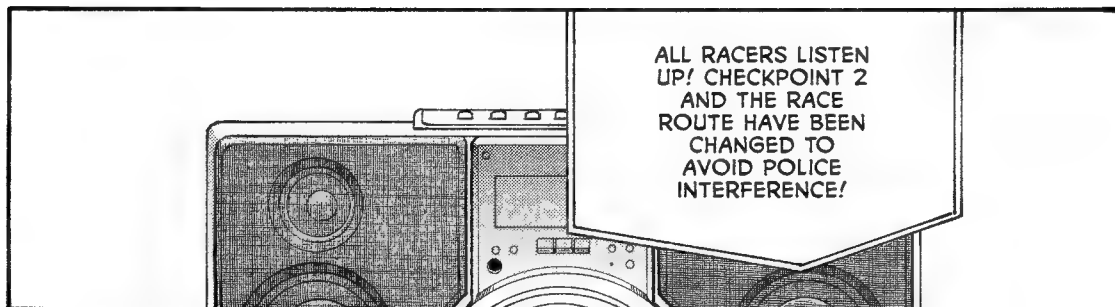
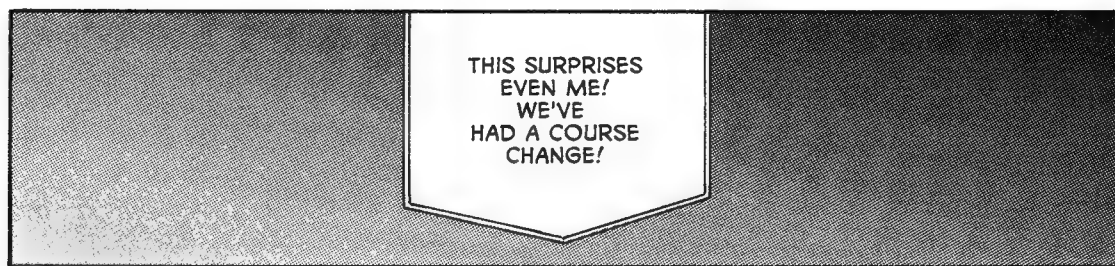


UNDERSTOOD.
I'LL TELL
MY
PEOPLE.



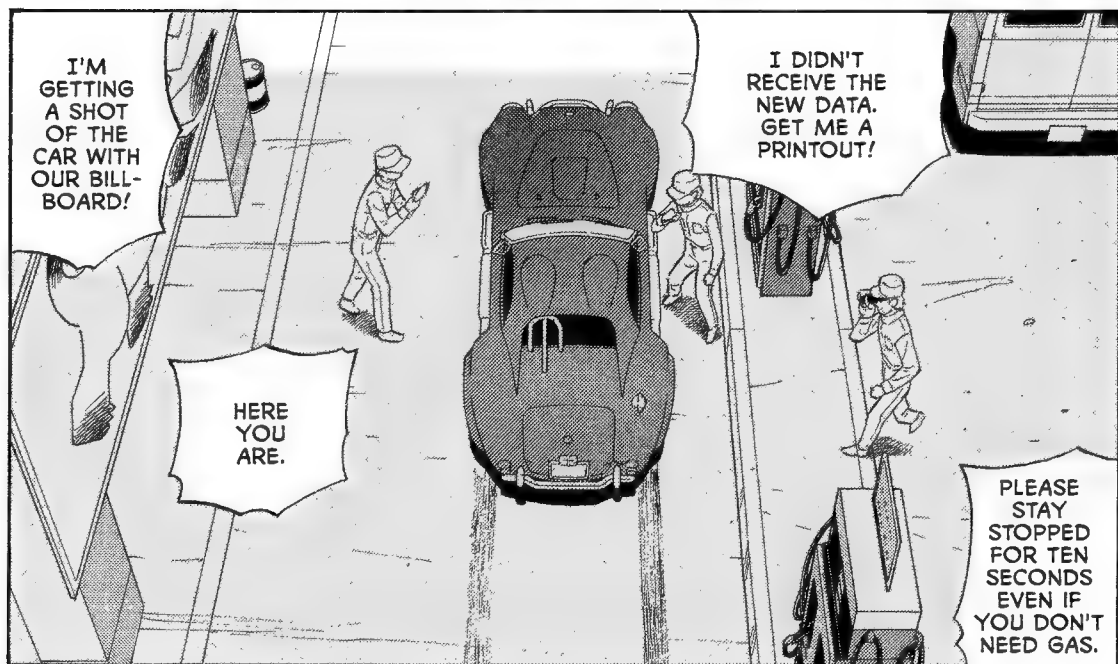
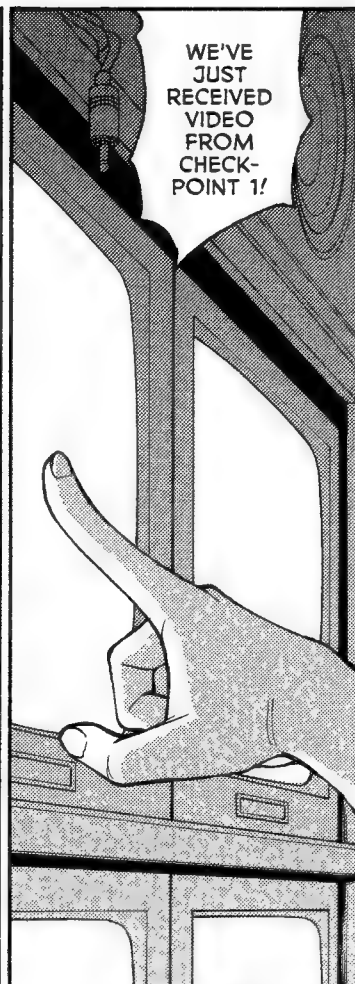
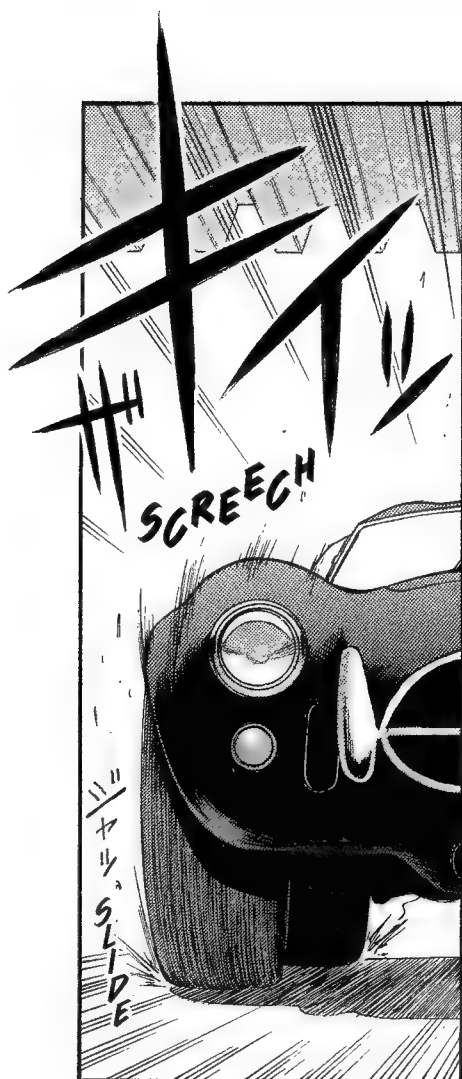
CONSIDERING
MY DISTANCE
FROM ROAD
BUSTER, PLAN
B WILL
BE JUST
PERFECT.

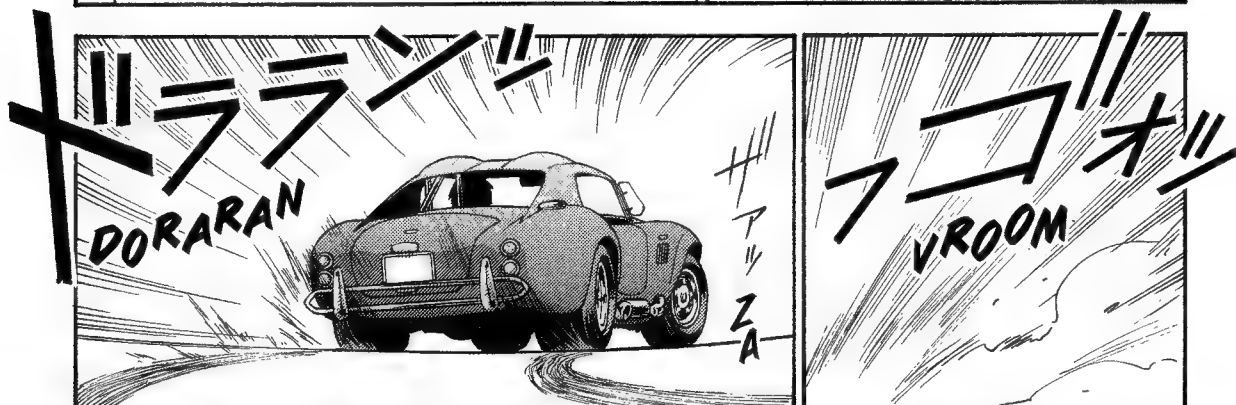
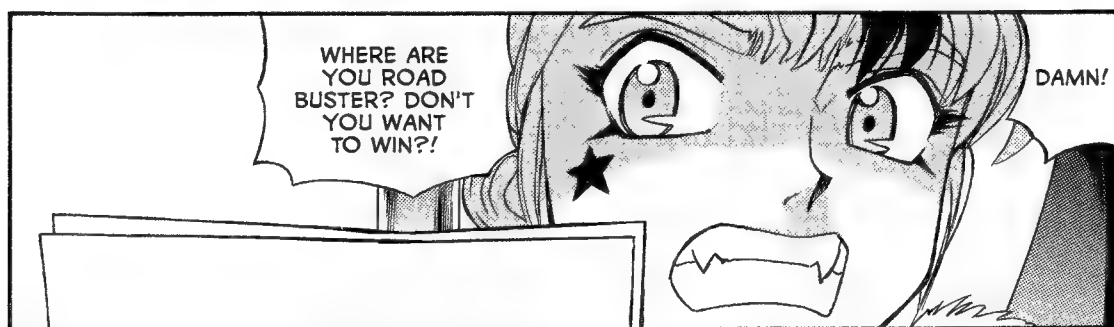
I WANT
YOU TO
CHANGE
CHECKPOINT 2
AND DETOUR
THE DRIVERS
TO ROUTE B2
WHERE
MY TRAP
AWAITS!



CHAPTER 23 THE AMBUSH



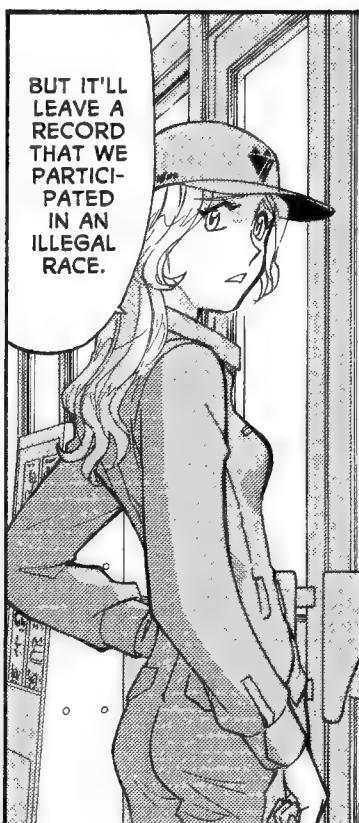






IT WON'T TAKE
VERY LONG FOR
THE CARS TO PASS
THROUGH, AND
IT'S NOT LIKE I'VE
RENTED THE
STATION OUT
TO THEM.

YOU DID
TAKE
MONEY,
THOUGH.



BUT IT'LL
LEAVE A
RECORD
THAT WE
PARTICI-
PATED
IN AN
ILLEGAL
RACE.



HMM?
THEY HAVE
TO HAVE
VIDEO
BECAUSE
THEY'RE
TAKING
BETS.

CHIEF. YOU
SURE IT'S
OKAY TO
BE TAKING
VIDEO LIKE
THAT?



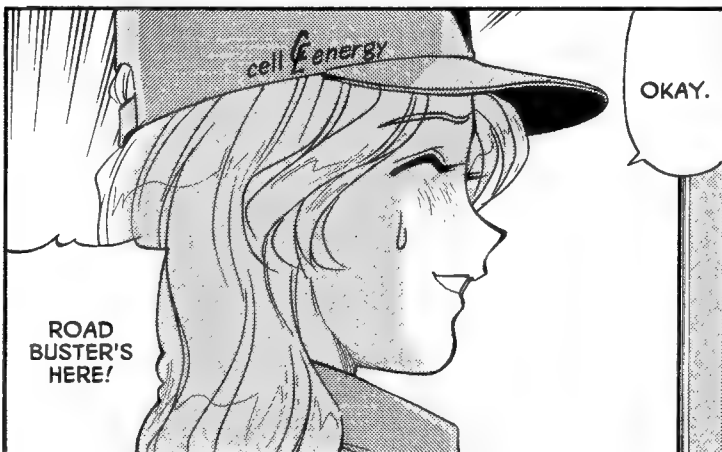
IF MY BETS
PAN OUT,
I'LL BE SURE
TO KICK A
LITTLE
DOWN TO
YOU.

★
THAT'S
WHAT YOU
SHOULD
REMEMBER
IF ASKED
BY THE
POLICE.



A CUSTOMER
JUST HAPPENED
TO BUY A
LARGE AMOUNT
OF HIGH
PRICED ITEMS.

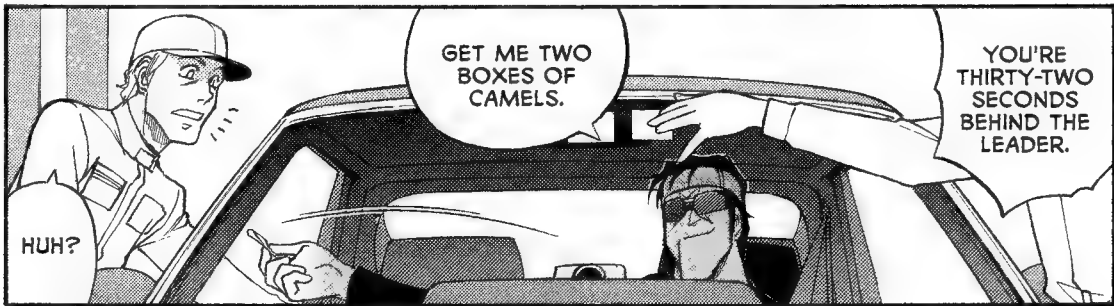
AH,
YOU'RE
MISTAKEN.

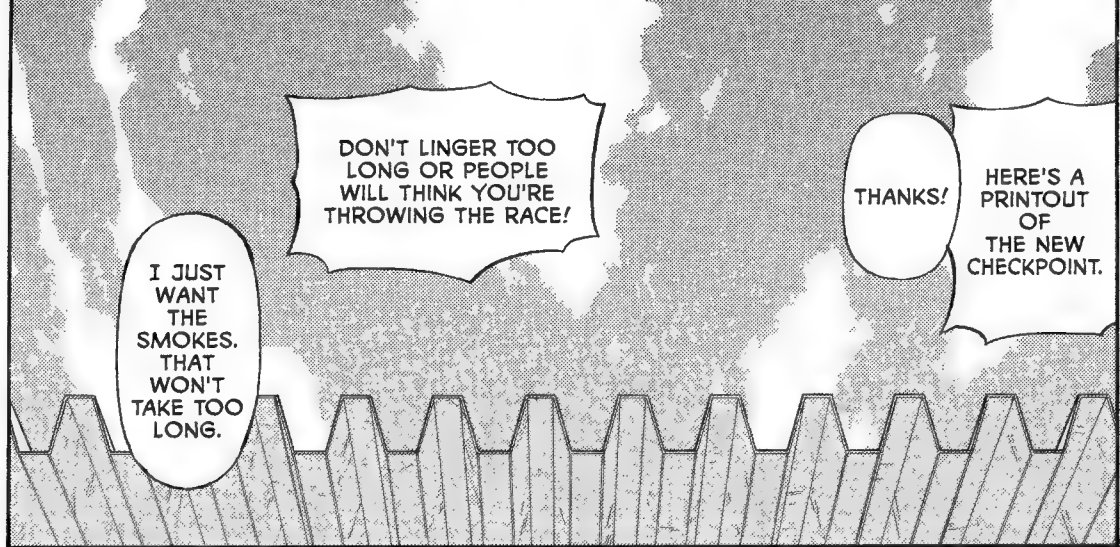


ROAD
BUSTER'S
HERE!

OKAY.

THE
CAMERA
ONLY
SHOWS
RACERS
STOPPING
IN FOR
GAS.





I JUST WANT THE SMOKES. THAT WON'T TAKE TOO LONG.

DON'T LINGER TOO LONG OR PEOPLE WILL THINK YOU'RE THROWING THE RACE!

THANKS!

HERE'S A PRINTOUT OF THE NEW CHECKPOINT.



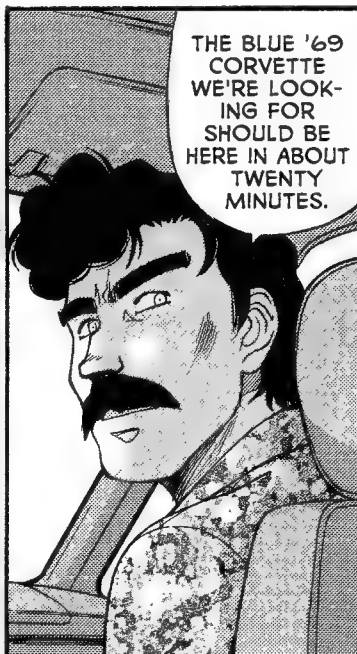
GOAAA
ゴォー...

HEY, ALI!



GOT IT.

GRAB



THE BLUE '69 CORVETTE WE'RE LOOKING FOR SHOULD BE HERE IN ABOUT TWENTY MINUTES.

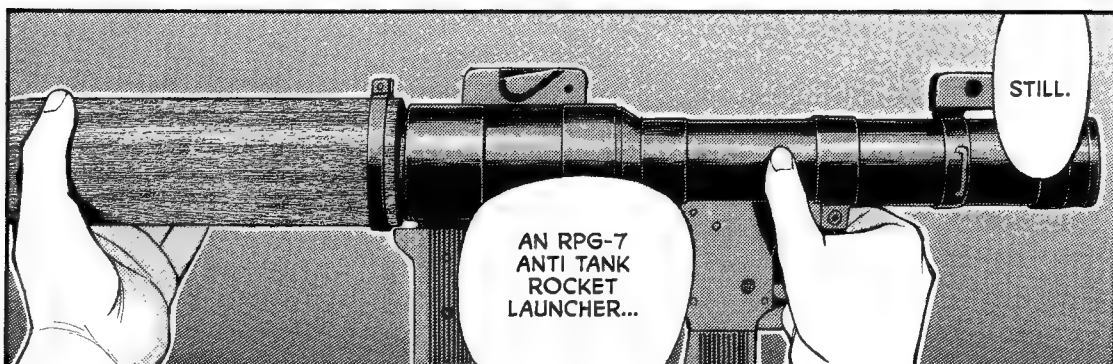
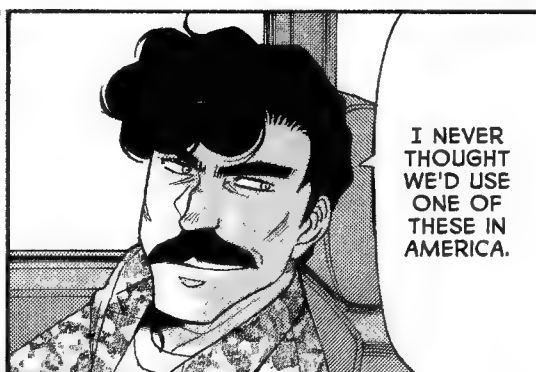


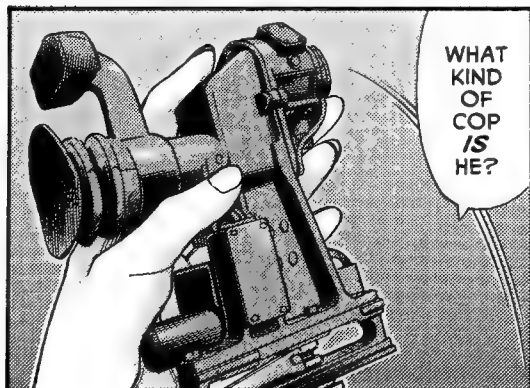
HE SAID THAT HE ROUTED THE RACERS THIS WAY.

I JUST HEARD FROM THE DETECTIVE.

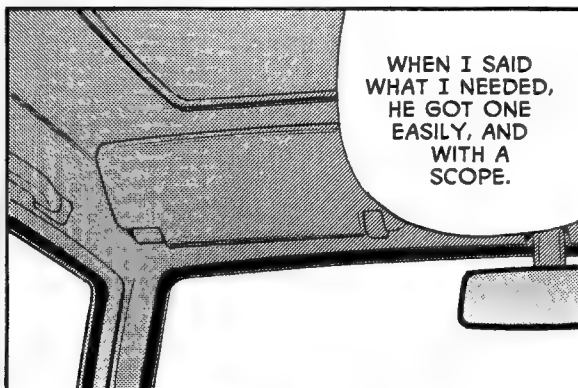


IT'S A TRUSTY WEAPON THAT'S SERVED US WELL FIGHTING WITH OUR BROTHERS.





WHAT
KIND
OF
COP
IS
HE?

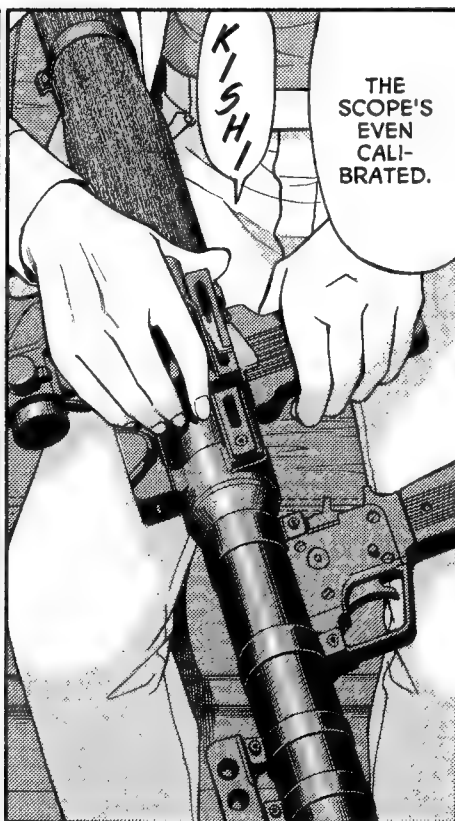


WHEN I SAID
WHAT I NEEDED,
HE GOT ONE
EASILY, AND
WITH A
SCOPE.



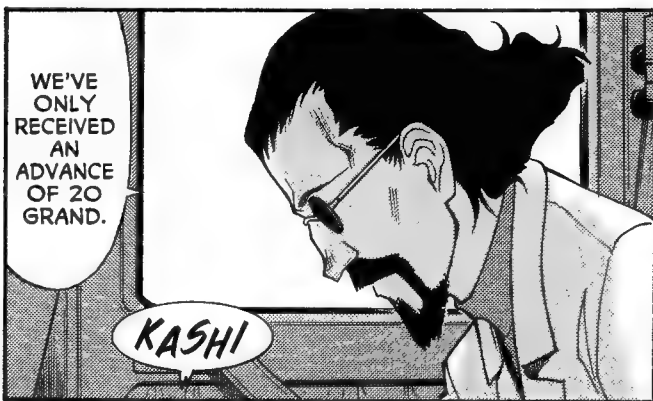
IT'S NOT
SO STRANGE
WHEN YOU
CONSIDER
THAT
HE COULD
AFFORD
TO PAY US
100
GRAND.

MAYBE
HE'S
NOT
WORK-
ING
ALONE.



KISHI

THE
SCOPE'S
EVEN
CALI-
BRATED.

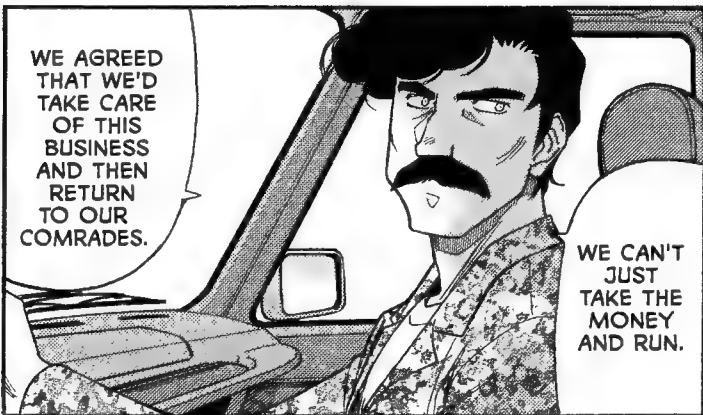


WE'VE
ONLY
RECEIVED
AN
ADVANCE
OF 20
GRAND.

KASHI

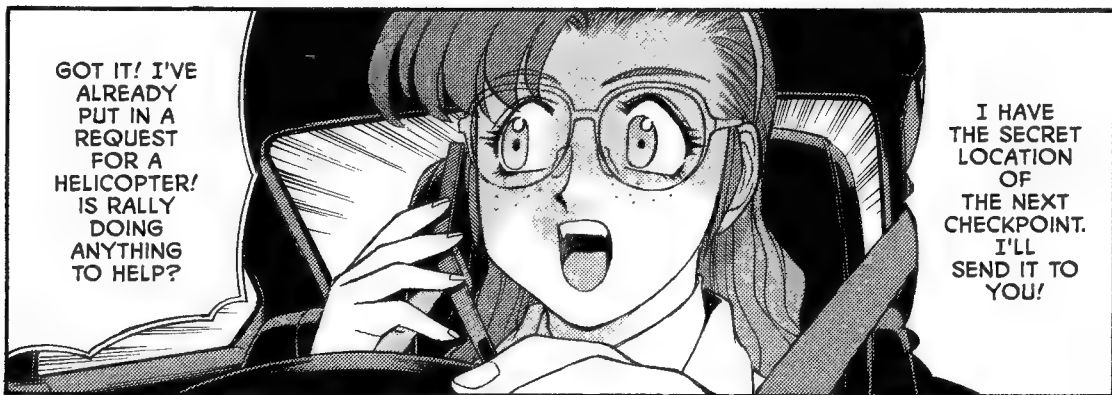
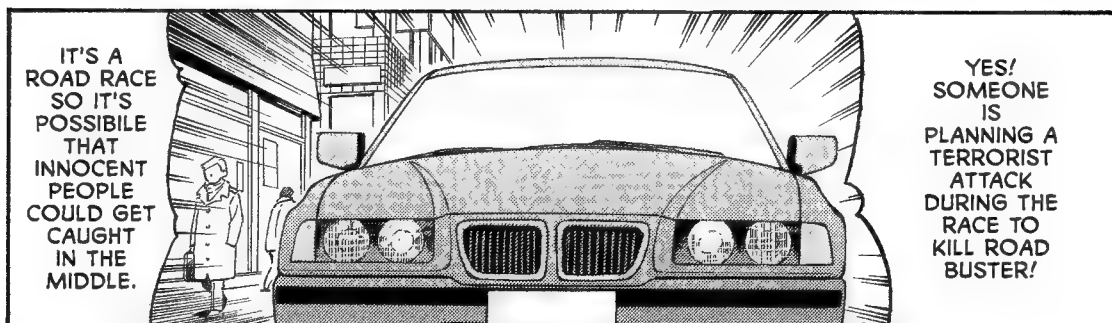
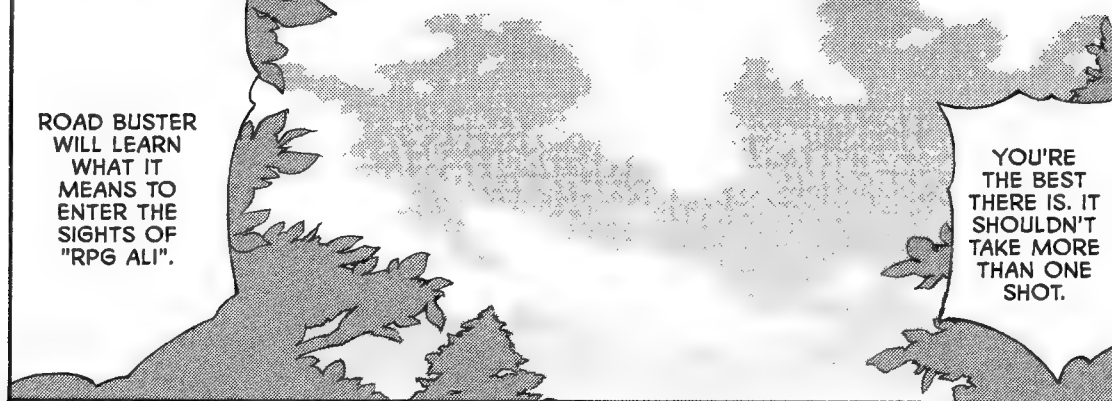


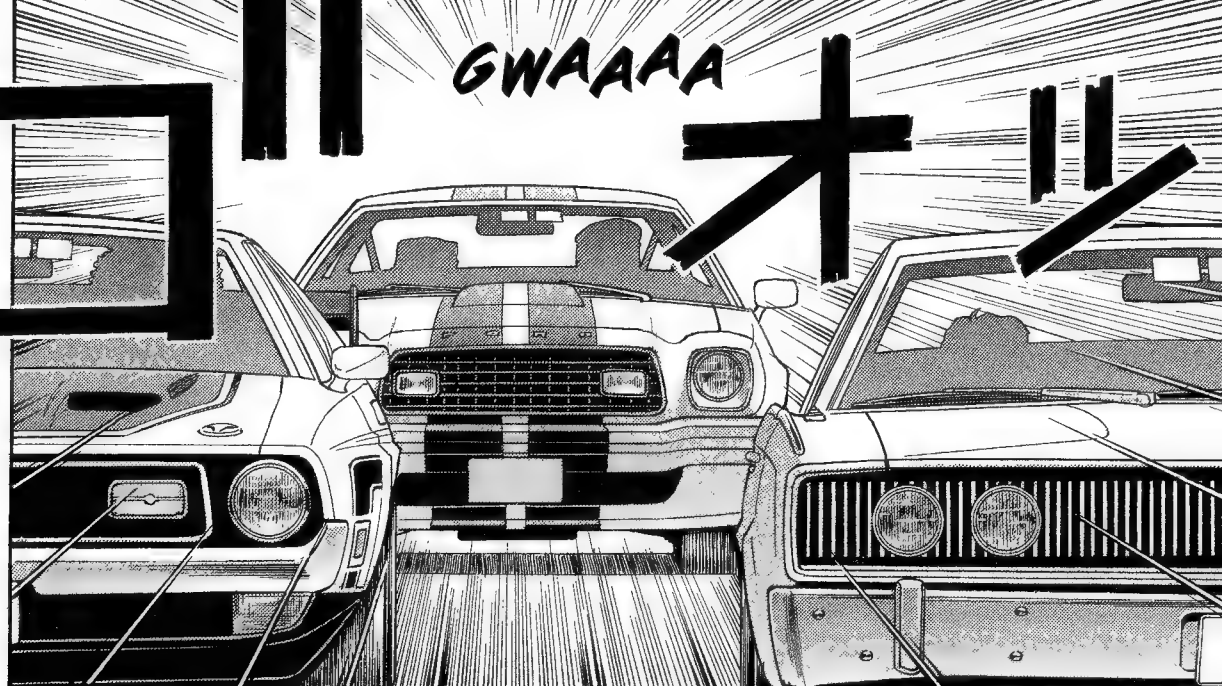
I
KNOW...
AND WE
WILL!

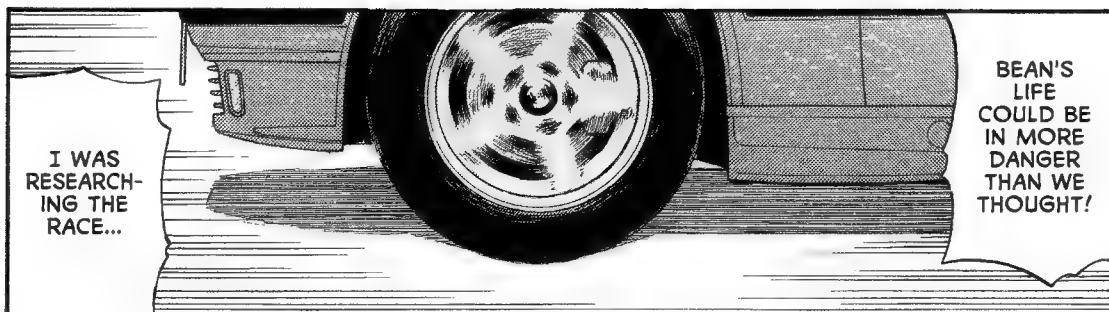


WE AGREED
THAT WE'D
TAKE CARE
OF THIS
BUSINESS
AND THEN
RETURN
TO OUR
COMRADES.

WE CAN'T
JUST
TAKE THE
MONEY
AND RUN.







I WAS RESEARCH-
ING THE
RACE...

BEAN'S
LIFE
COULD BE
IN MORE
DANGER
THAN WE
THOUGHT!



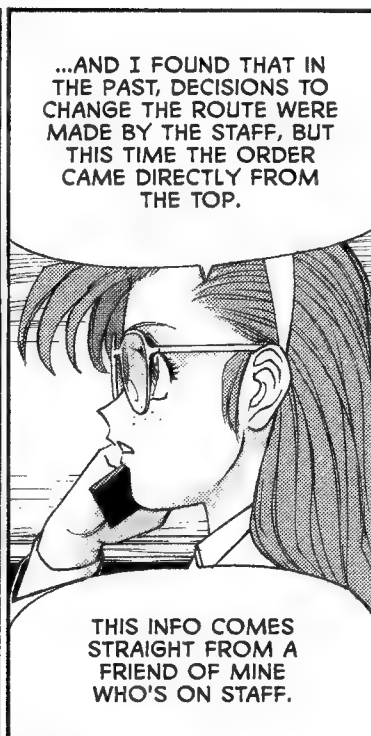
AS FAR AS
MY RESEARCH
SHOWS,
PERCY ISN'T
SOMEONE
WHO RACES
FOR FUN.

HE HAD
PLENTY OF
CHANCES IN
DETROIT,
BUT NEVER
DID.



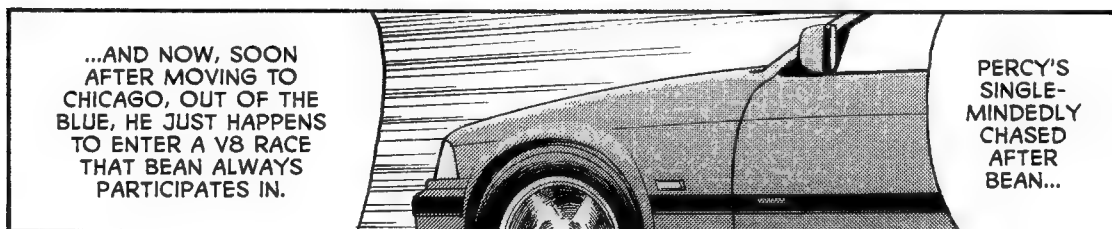
THE NEW CHECKPOINT
SHOT STRAIGHT UP
TO THE TOP OF THE
CANDIDATE LIST FOR NO
REASON YESTERDAY.

AND?



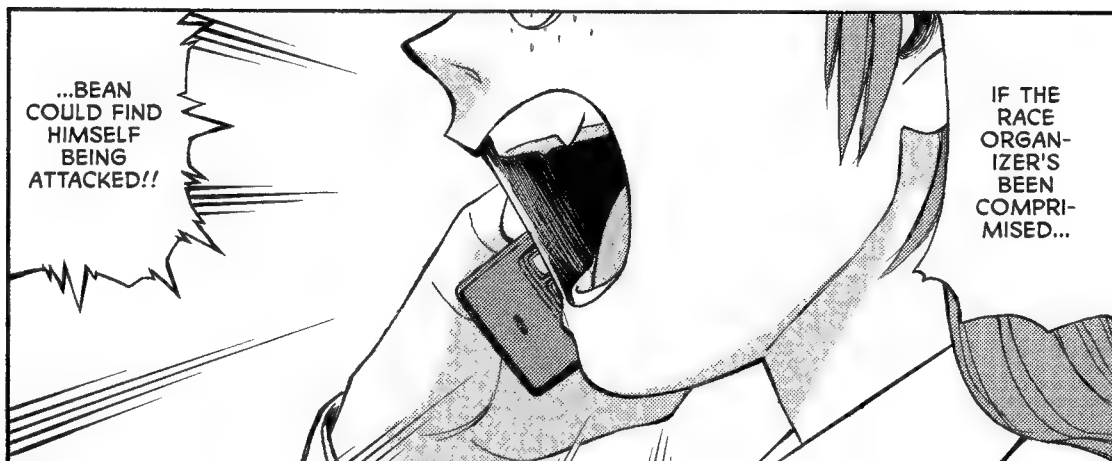
...AND I FOUND THAT IN
THE PAST, DECISIONS TO
CHANGE THE ROUTE WERE
MADE BY THE STAFF, BUT
THIS TIME THE ORDER
CAME DIRECTLY FROM
THE TOP.

THIS INFO COMES
STRAIGHT FROM A
FRIEND OF MINE
WHO'S ON STAFF.



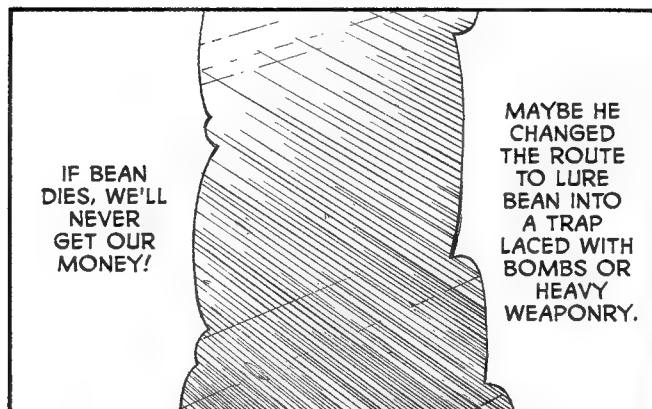
...AND NOW, SOON
AFTER MOVING TO
CHICAGO, OUT OF THE
BLUE, HE JUST HAPPENS
TO ENTER A V8 RACE
THAT BEAN ALWAYS
PARTICIPATES IN.

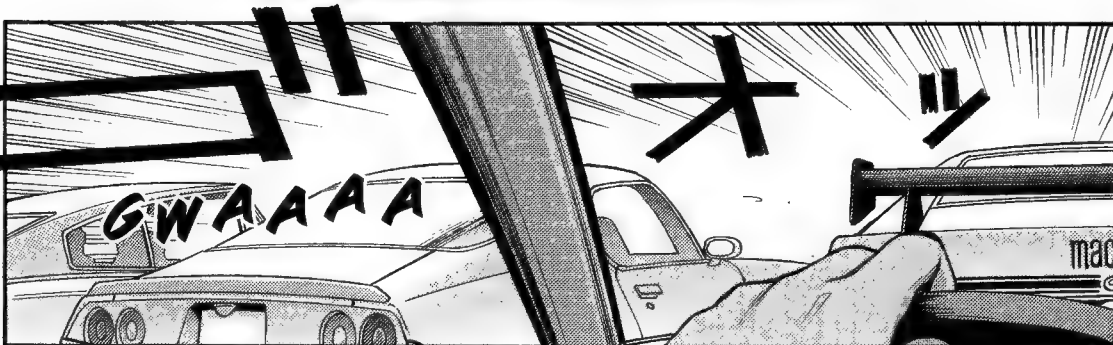
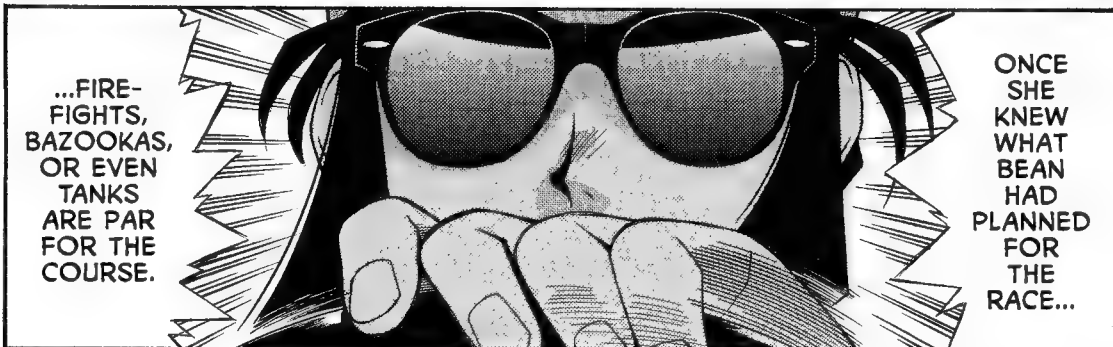
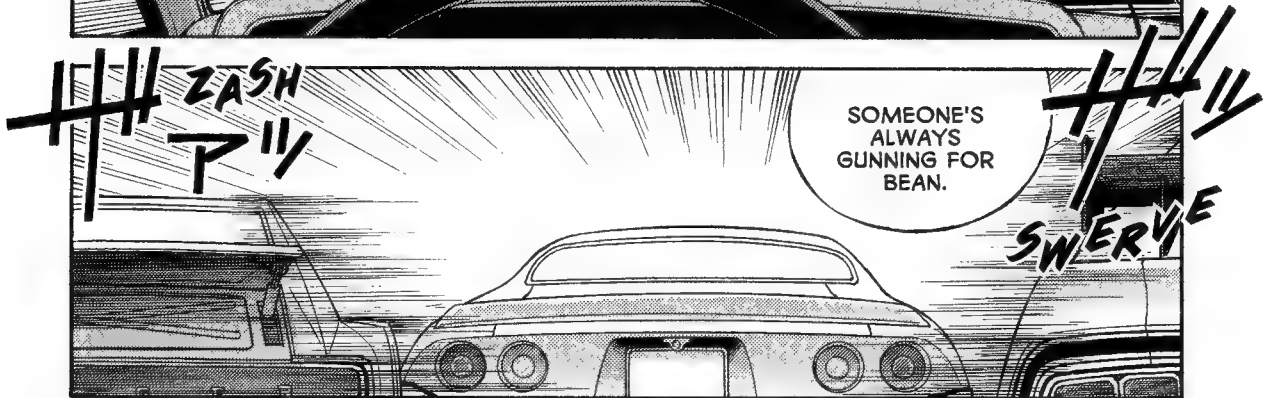
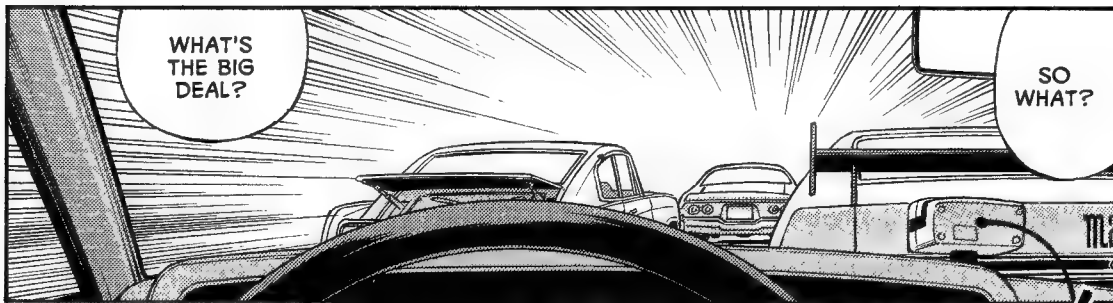
PERCY'S
SINGLE-
MINDEDLY
CHASED
AFTER
BEAN...



...BEAN
COULD FIND
HIMSELF
BEING
ATTACKED!!

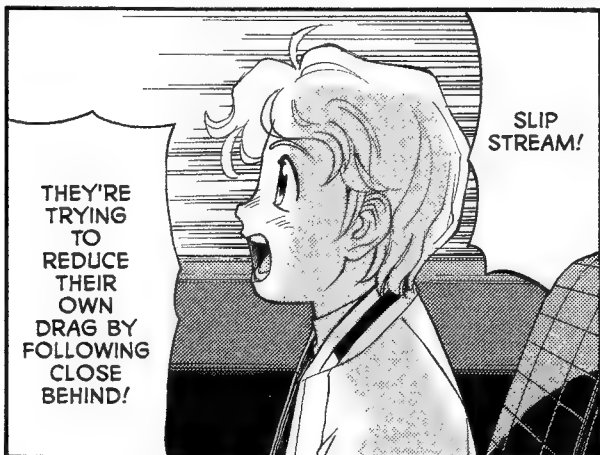
IF THE
RACE
ORGAN-
IZER'S
BEEN
COMPRI-
MISED...





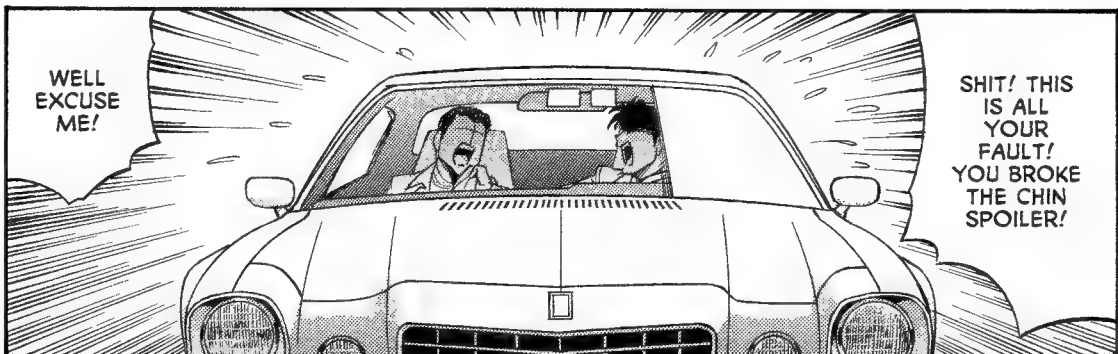
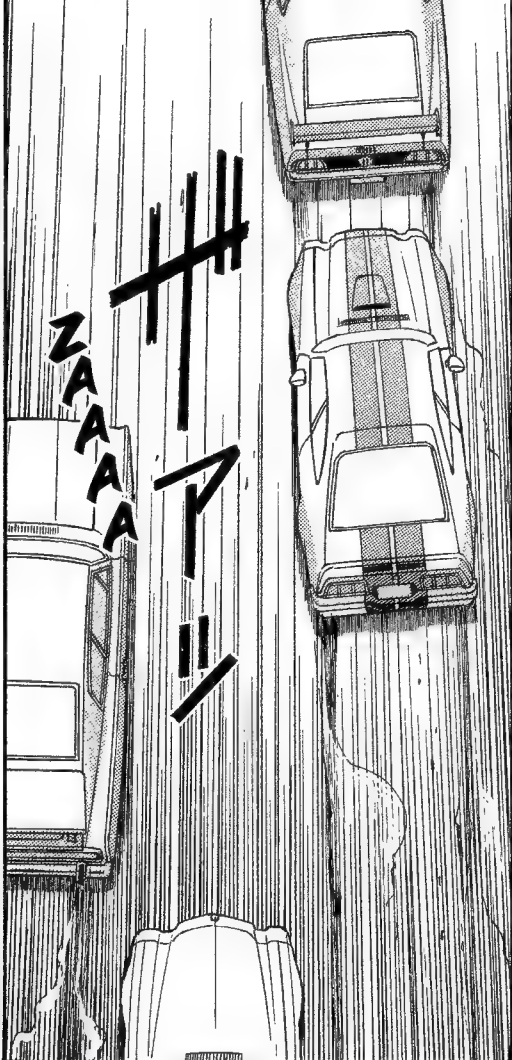


HEY!
WHAT'RE
YOU
DOING?



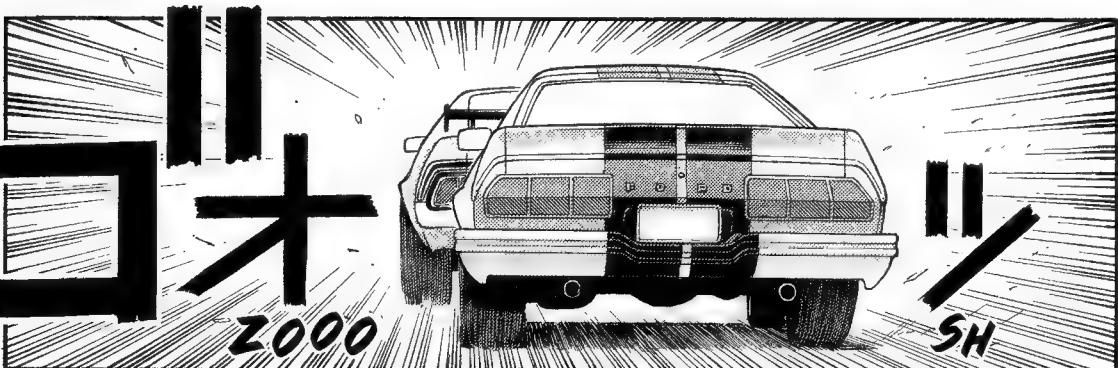
THEY'RE
TRYING
TO
REDUCE
THEIR
OWN
DRAG BY
FOLLOWING
CLOSE
BEHIND!

SLIP
STREAM!



WELL
EXCUSE
ME!

SHIT! THIS
IS ALL
YOUR
FAULT!
YOU BROKE
THE CHIN
SPOILER!



BIGMOUTH
TOM WITH
HIS 1970
CAMARO WAS
IN FOURTH
PLACE, BUT
HE'S BEEN
PASSED BY
THREE CARS!



THE
HELICOPTER
WAS
IN
LAST
PLACE!

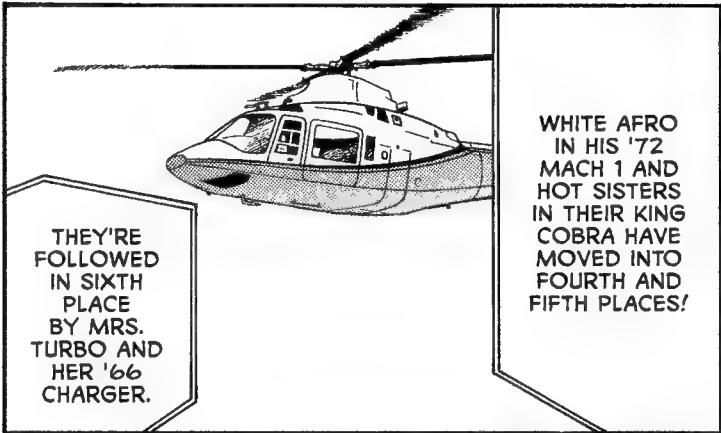
THERE'S
MOVE-
MENT
AMONG
THE
LEADERS!

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THEY'RE FOLLOWED IN SIXTH PLACE BY MRS. TURBO AND HER '66 CHARGER.

WHITE AFRO IN HIS '72 MACH 1 AND HOT SISTERS IN THEIR KING COBRA HAVE MOVED INTO FOURTH AND FIFTH PLACES!



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LOOK AT
THAT
COBRA II.
GOOD JOB!
THE ONE
WITH THE
KID ISN'T
DOING
THAT BAD
EITHER!

IN SECOND PLACE IS ROAD BUSTER IN HIS '69 CORVETTE! HE'S FOLLOWED BY JOHN WAYNE, JR. IN THE 1970 THUNDERBIRD!

ハッ ハッ ハッ ハッ...

BARA BARA BARA BARA

STILL COMFORTABLY IN THE LEAD IS SPEED ANGEL IN THE AC COBRA 427.

IN SECOND PLACE IS ROAD BUSTER IN HIS '69 CORVETTE! HE'S FOLLOWED BY JOHN WAYNE, JR. IN THE 1970 THUNDERBIRD!

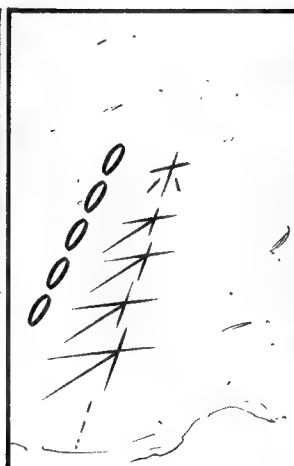
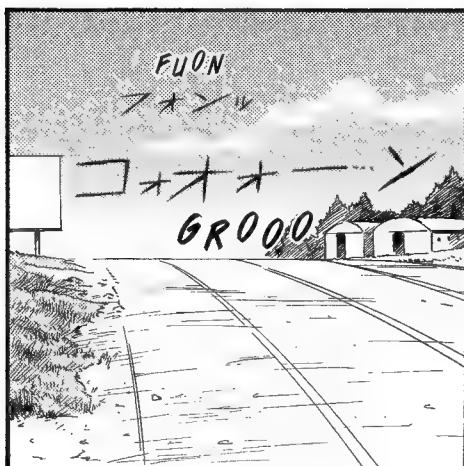
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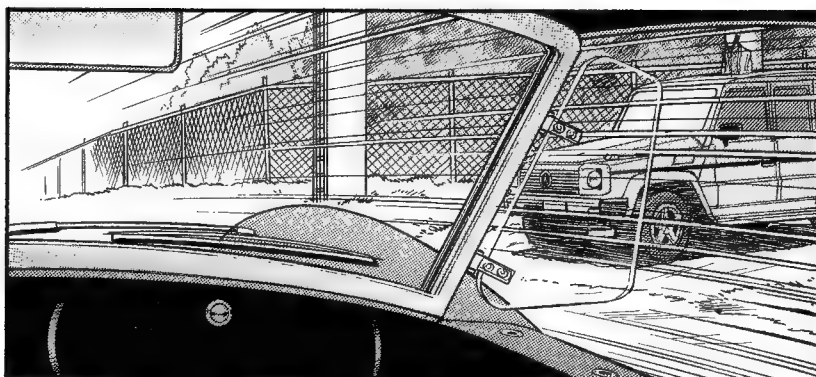
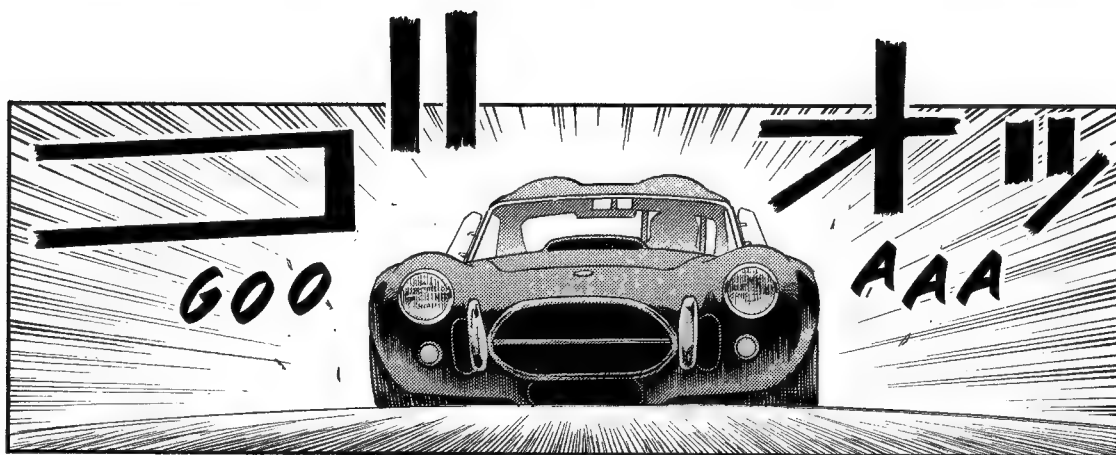
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BARA BARA BARA BARA

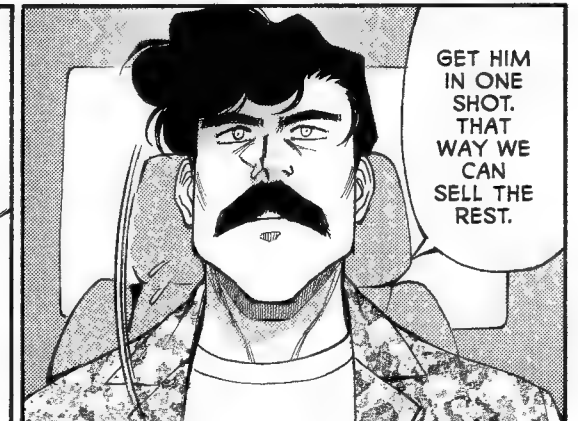
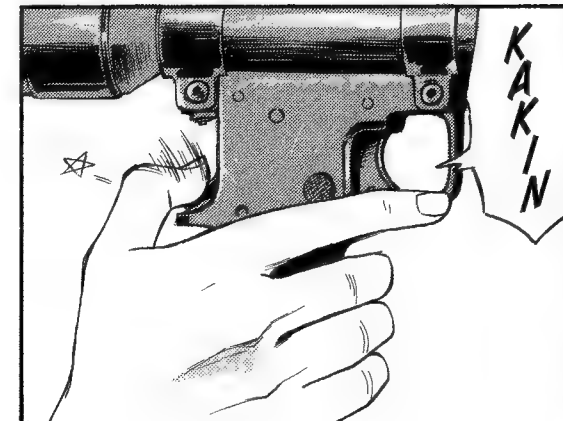
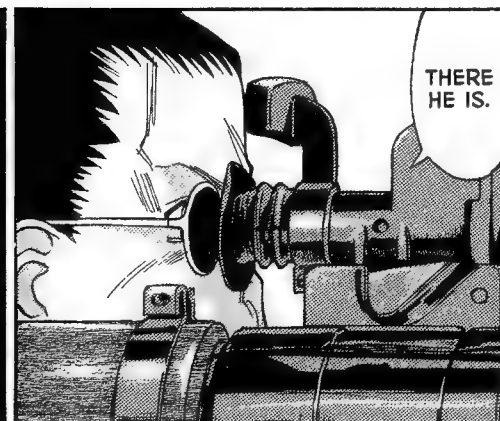
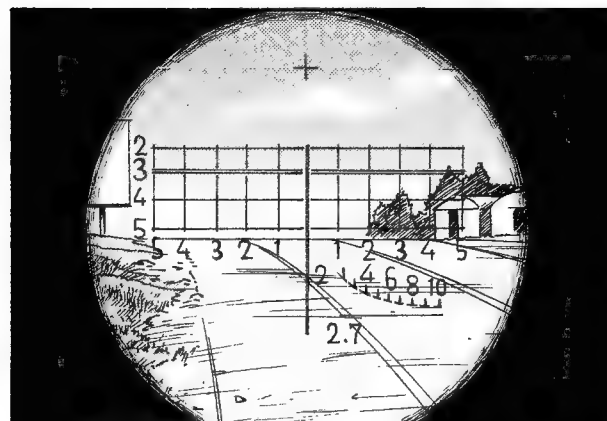
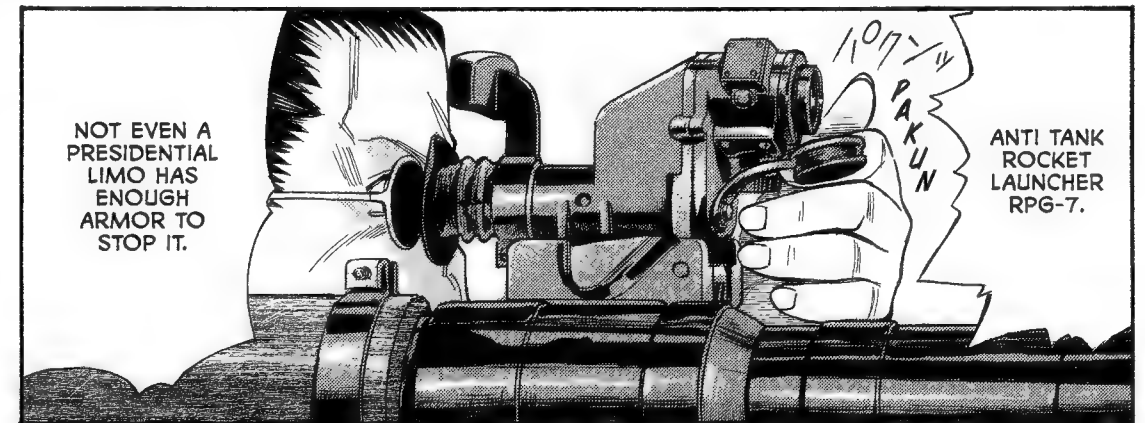
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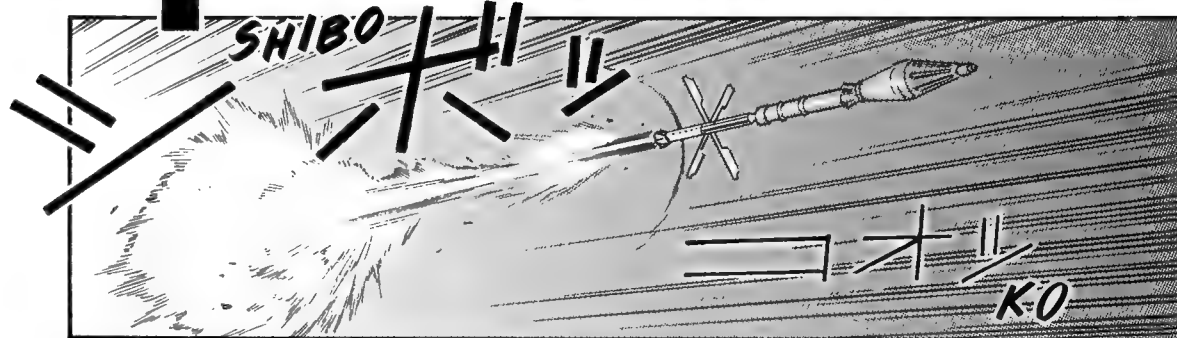
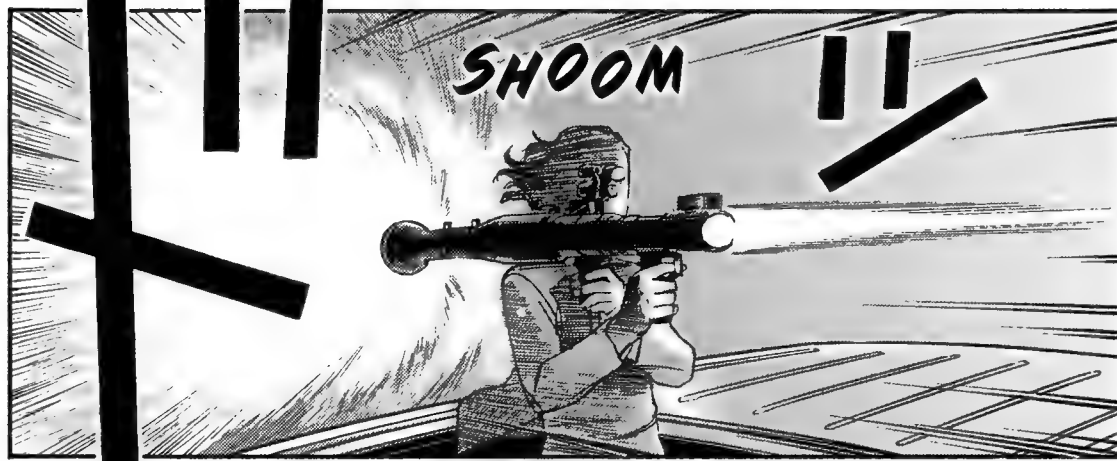
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BARA BARA BARA BARA



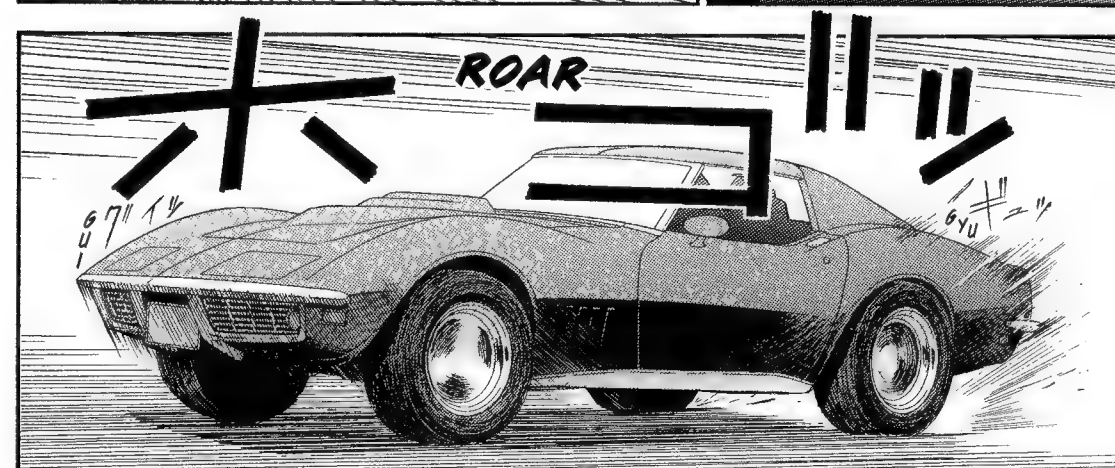
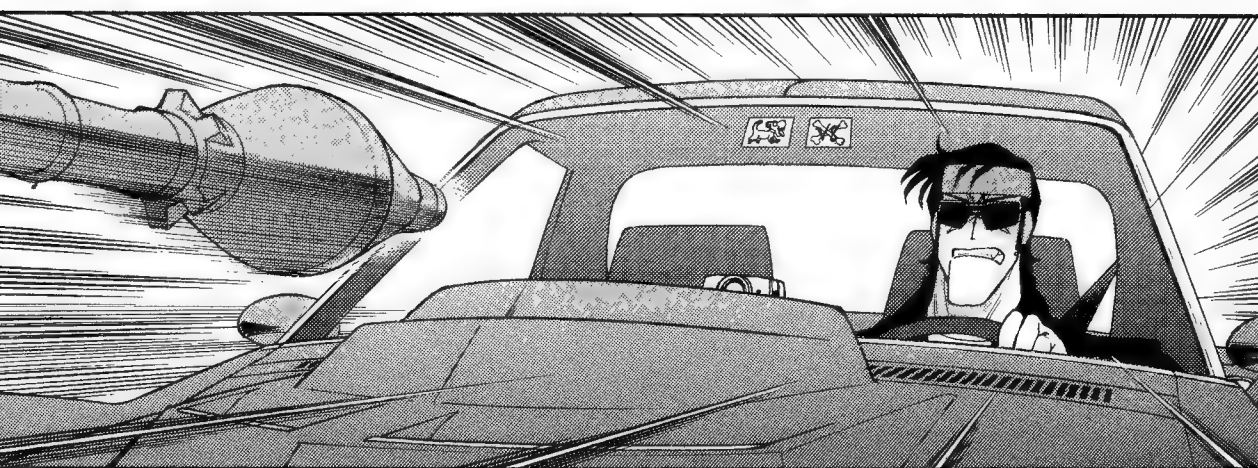
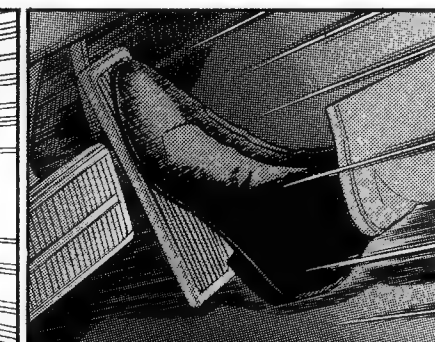
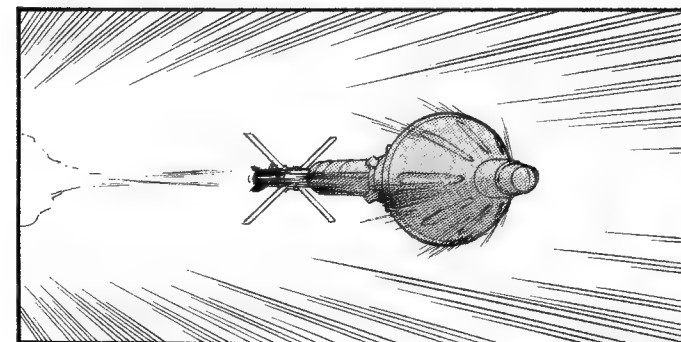
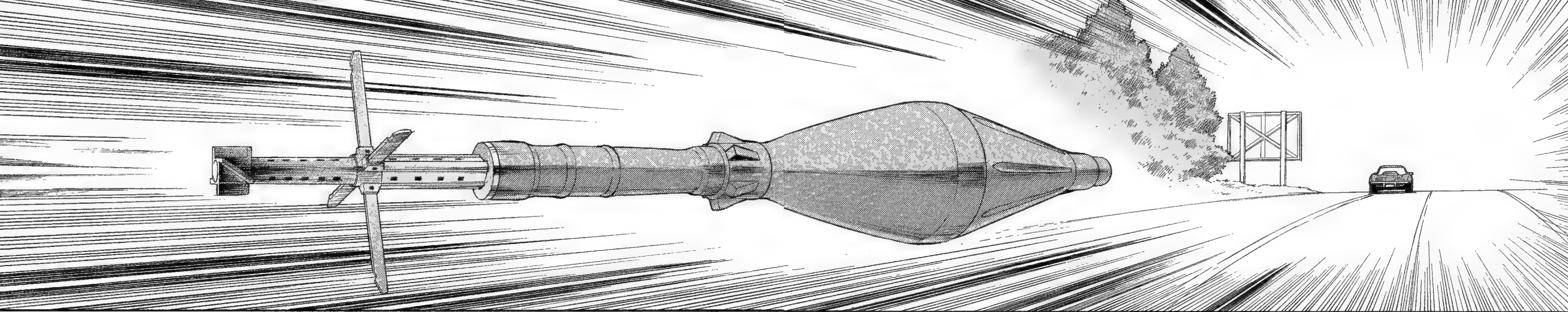


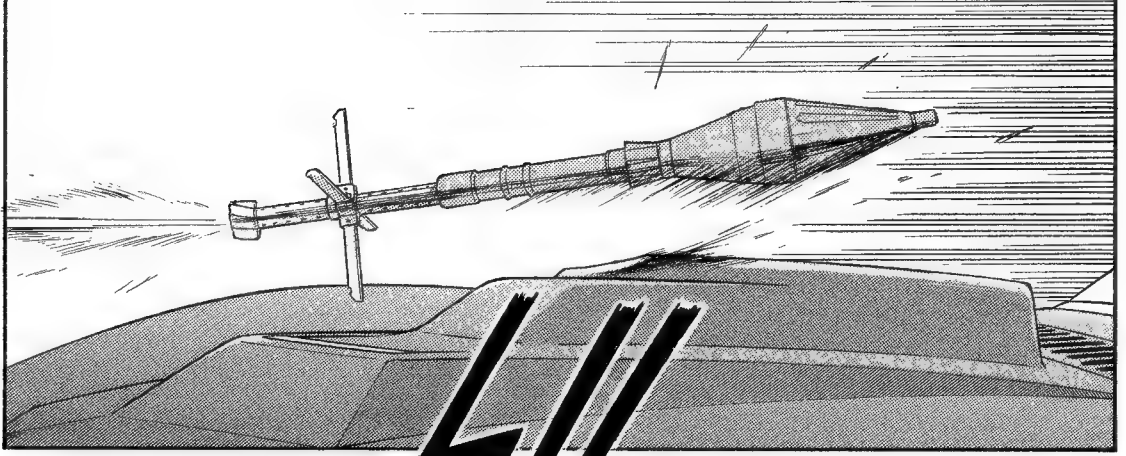


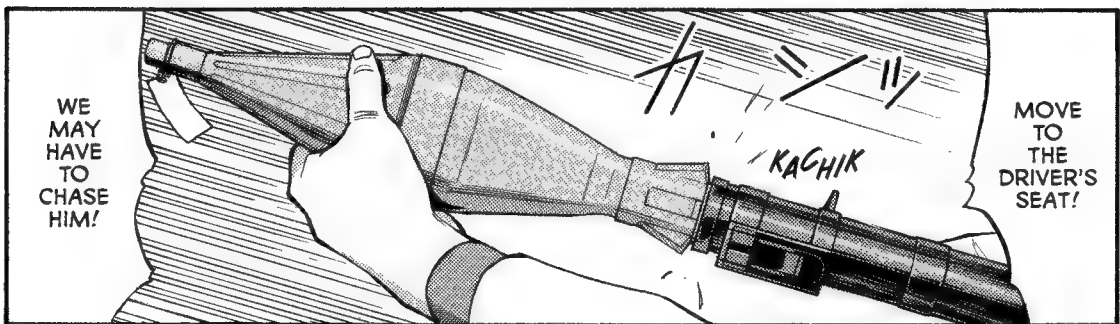
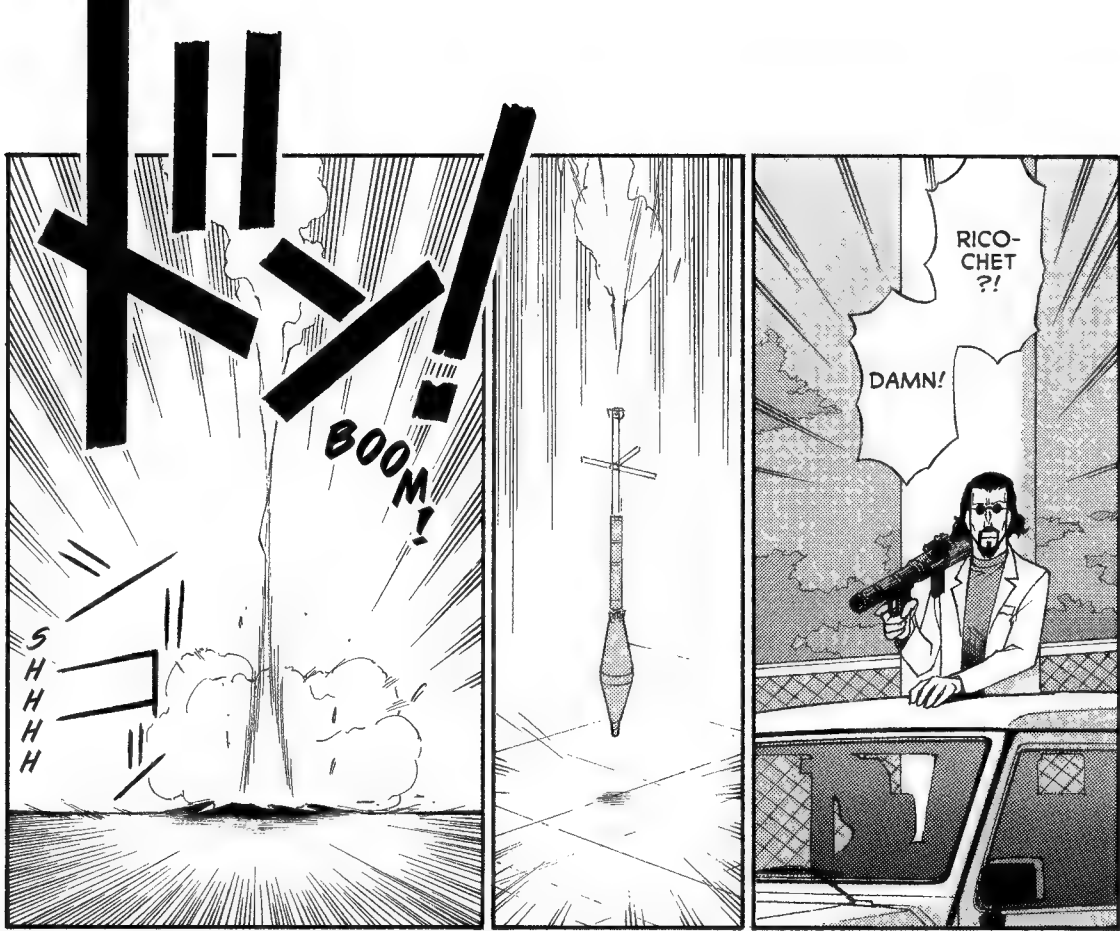


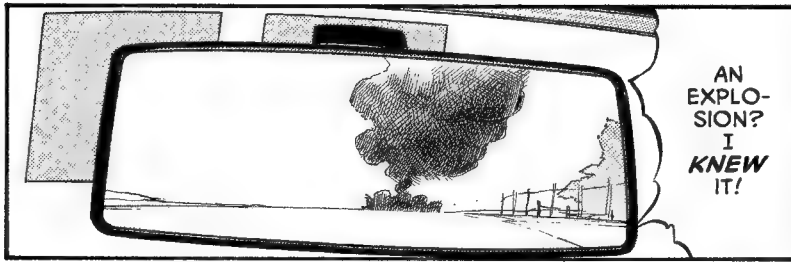


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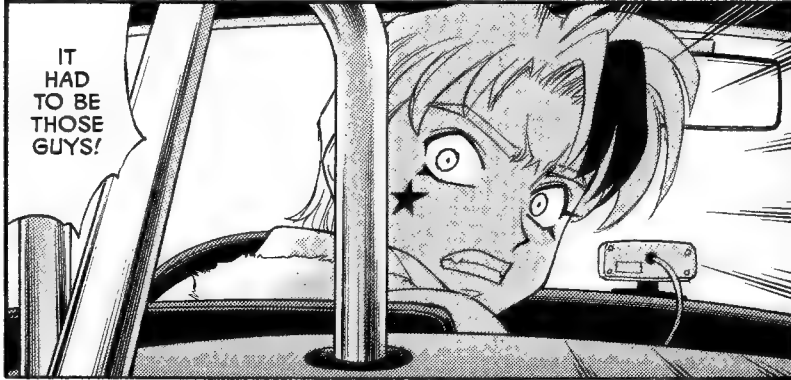




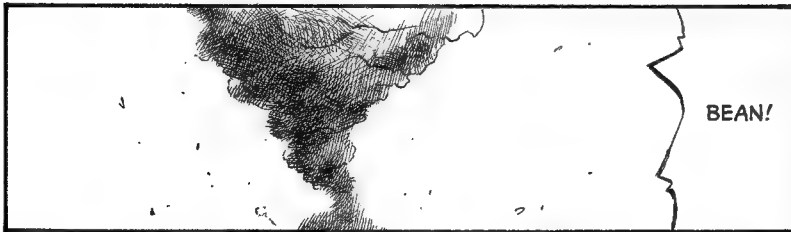




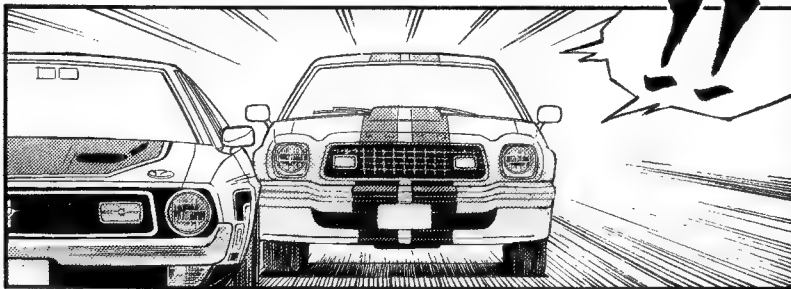
AN
EXPLO-
SION?
I
KNEW
IT!



IT
HAD
TO BE
THOSE
GUYS!



BEAN!



!!



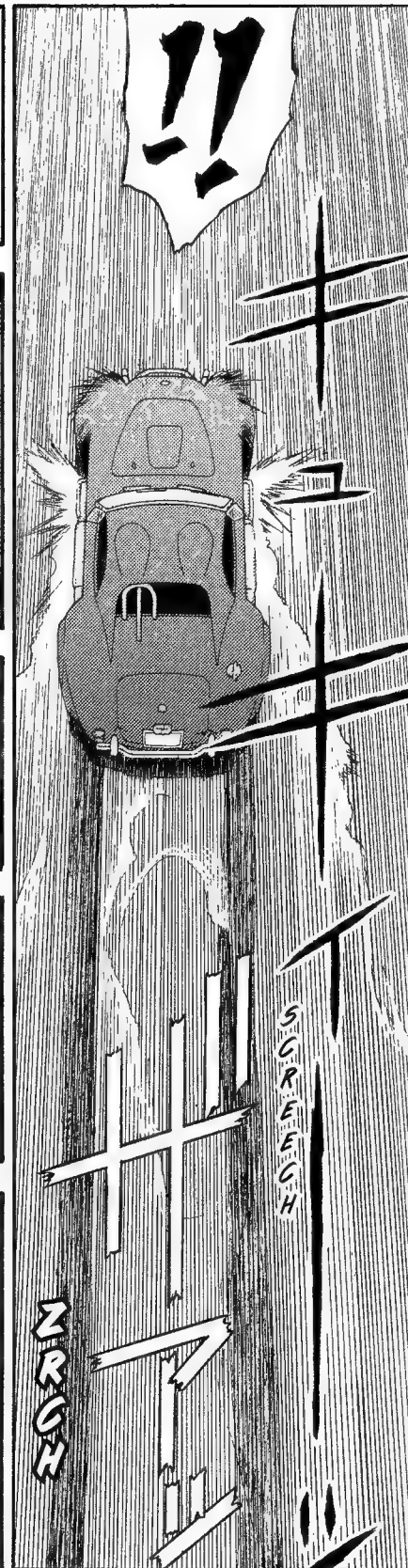
THEY
DID
IT!!

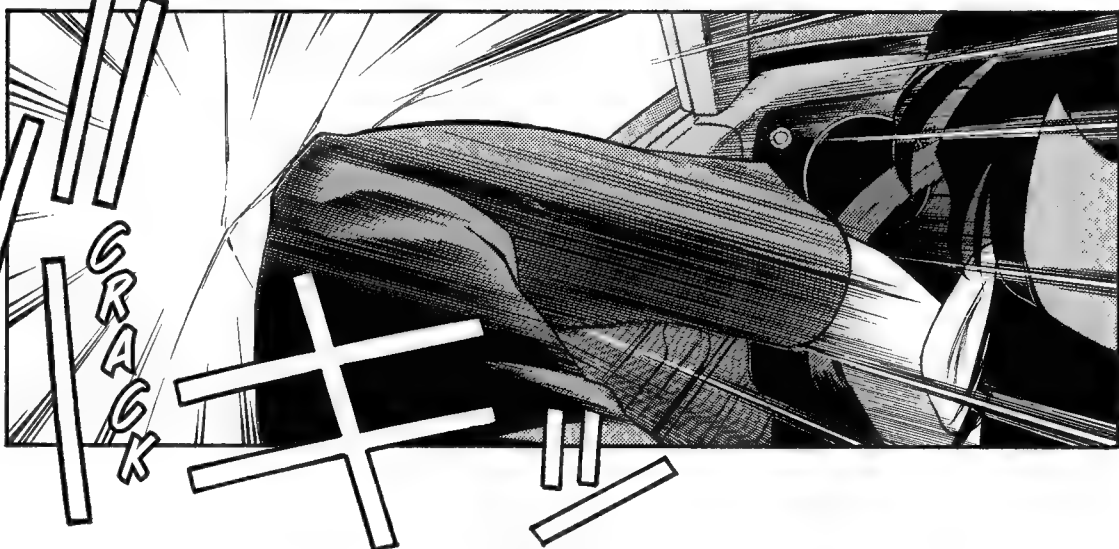
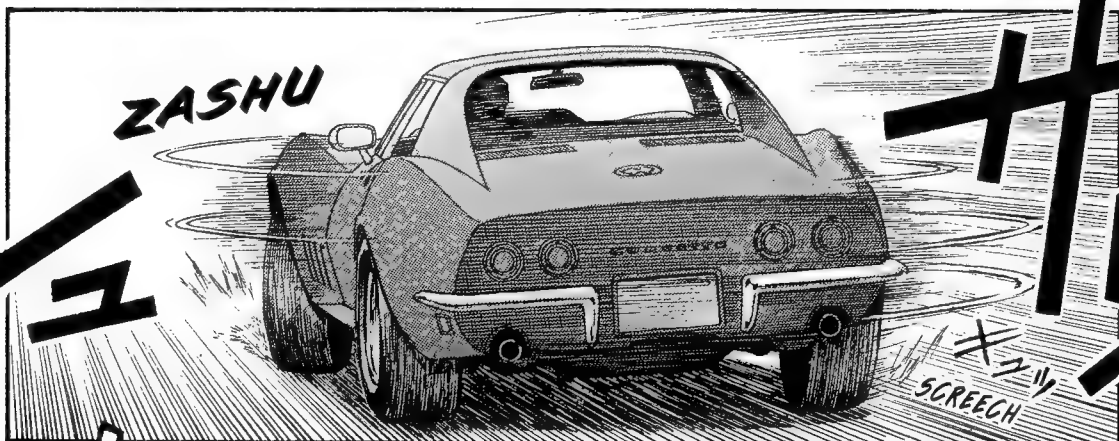
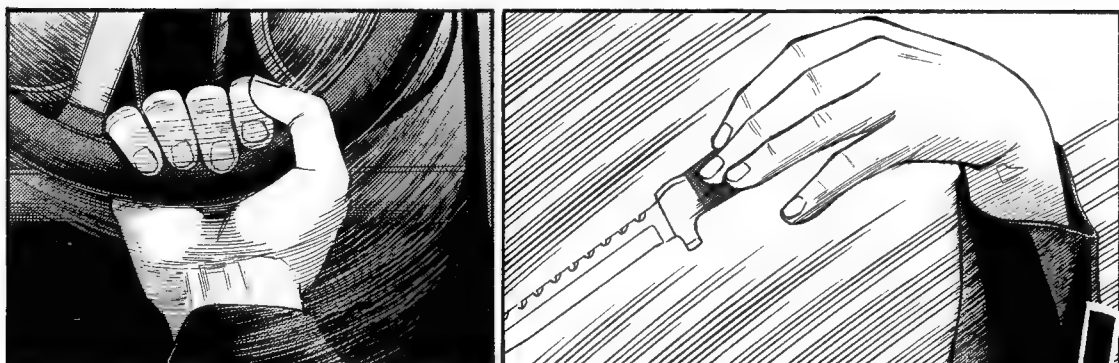
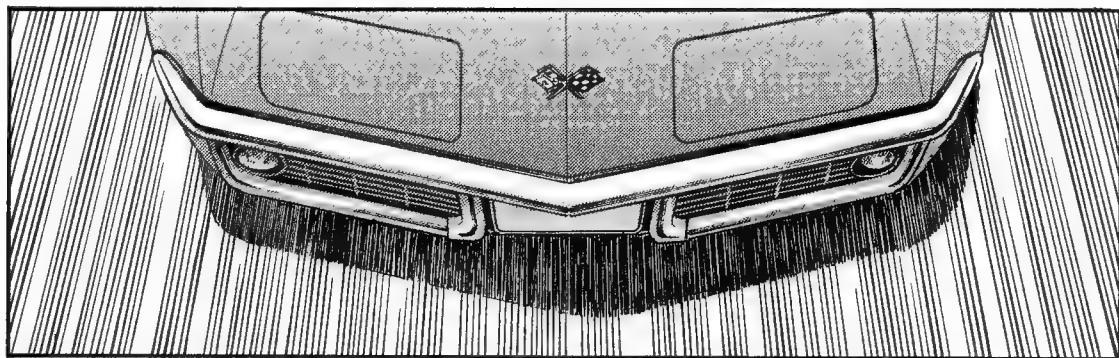
YES!
♥

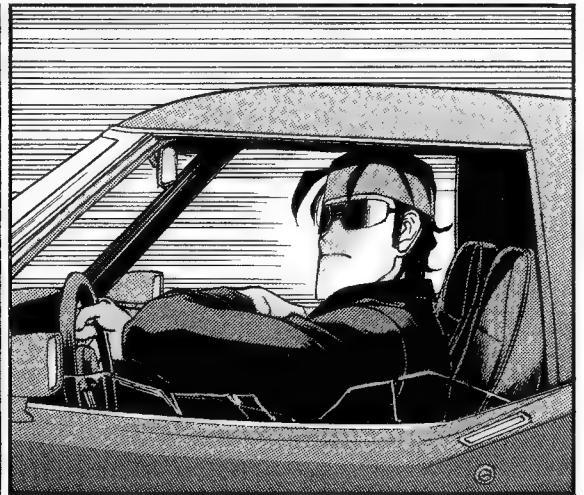
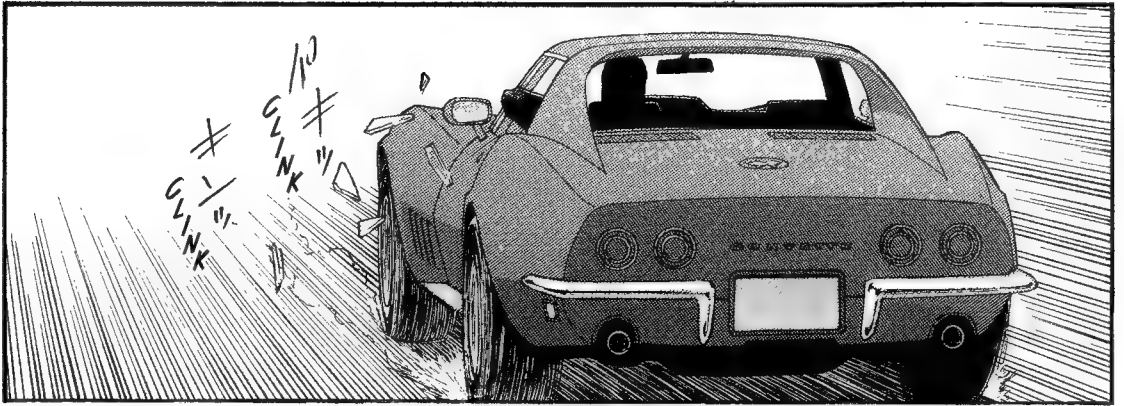


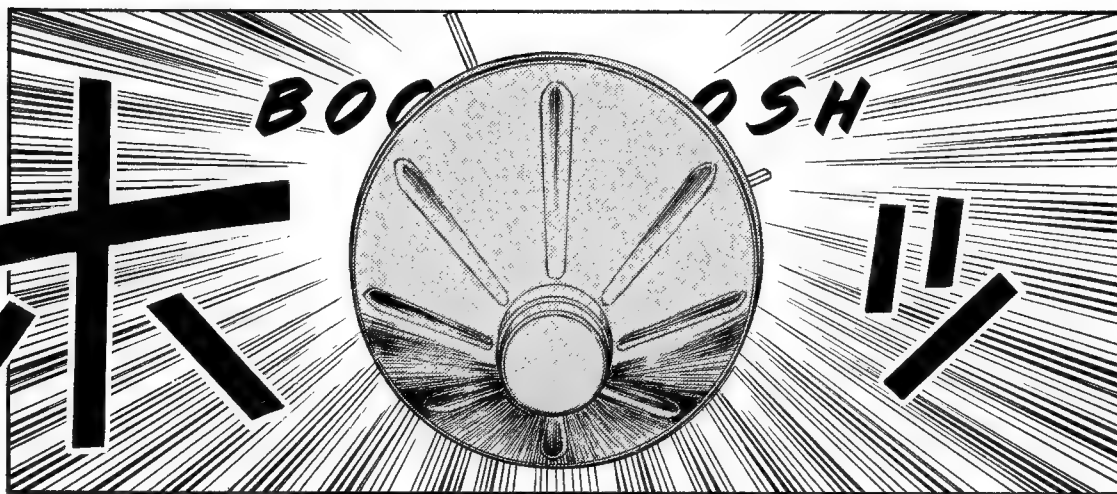
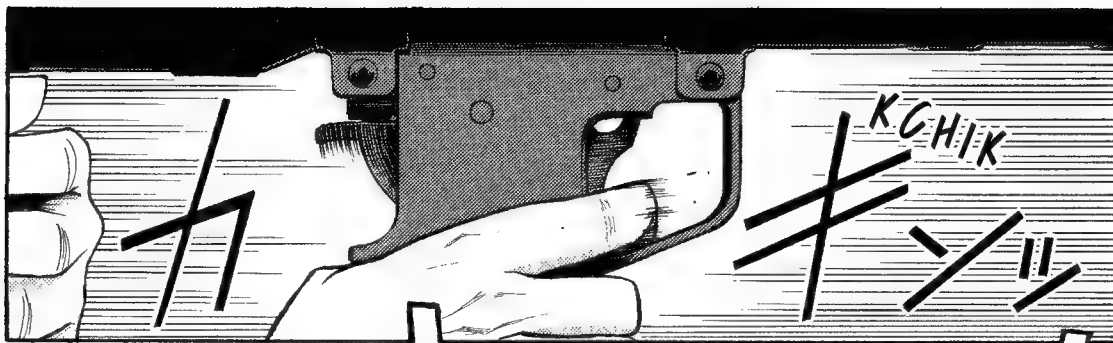
THAT
SMOKE...

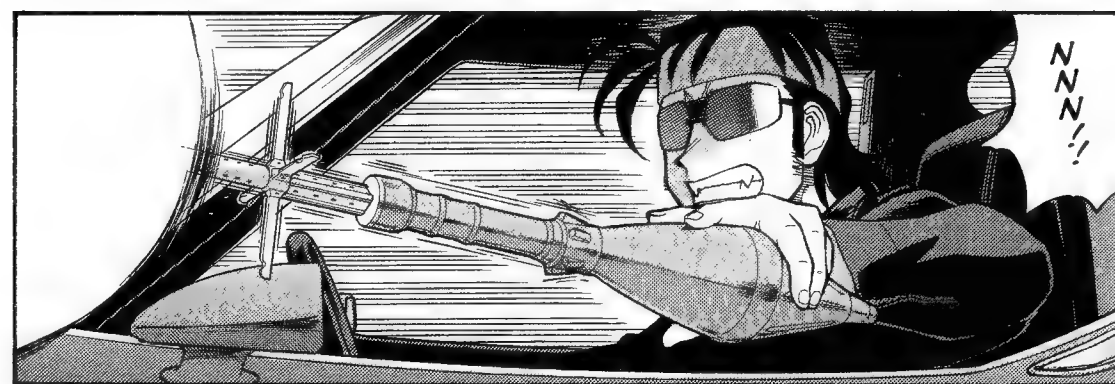
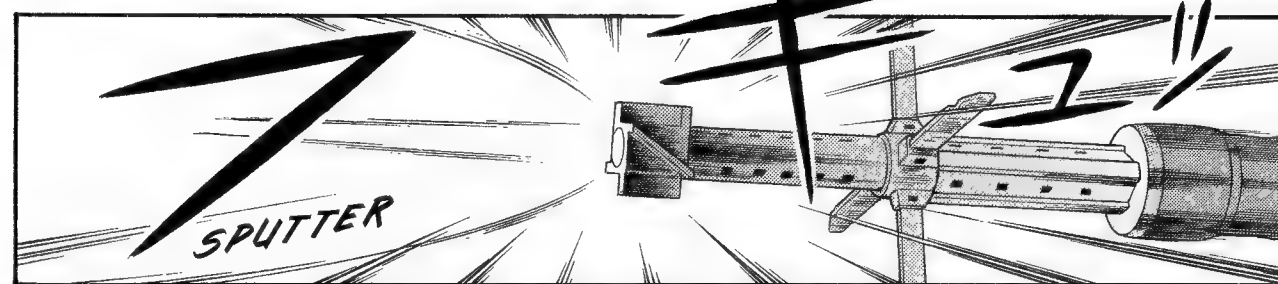
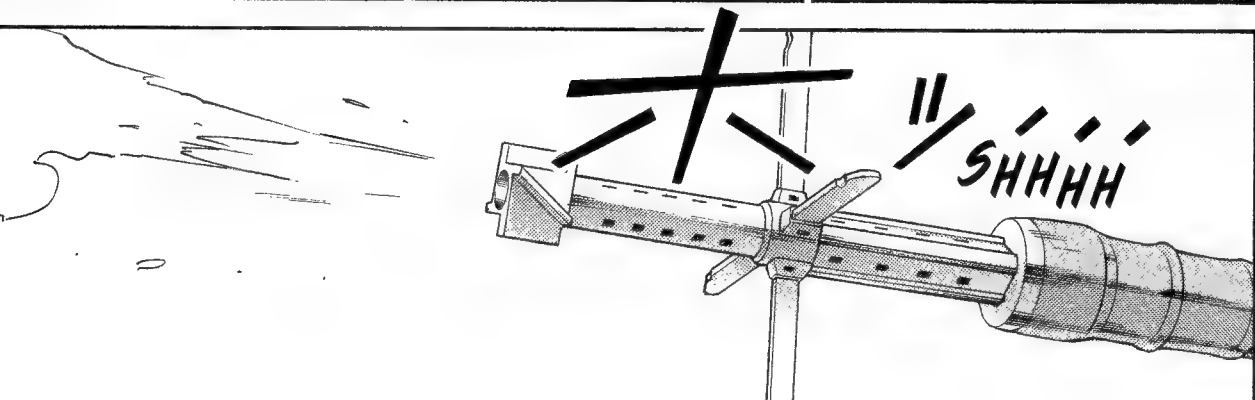
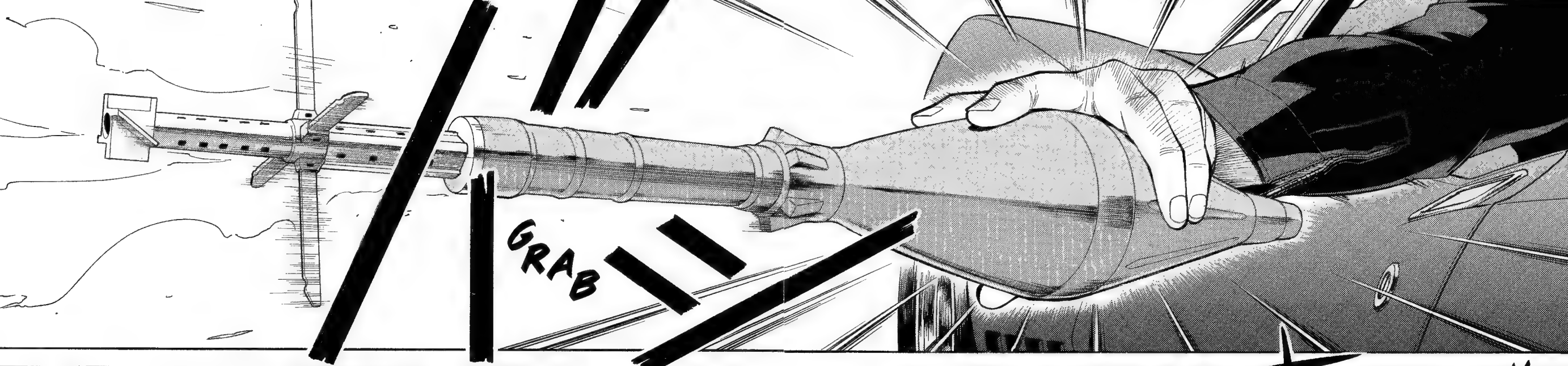
...IT
CAN'T
BE!

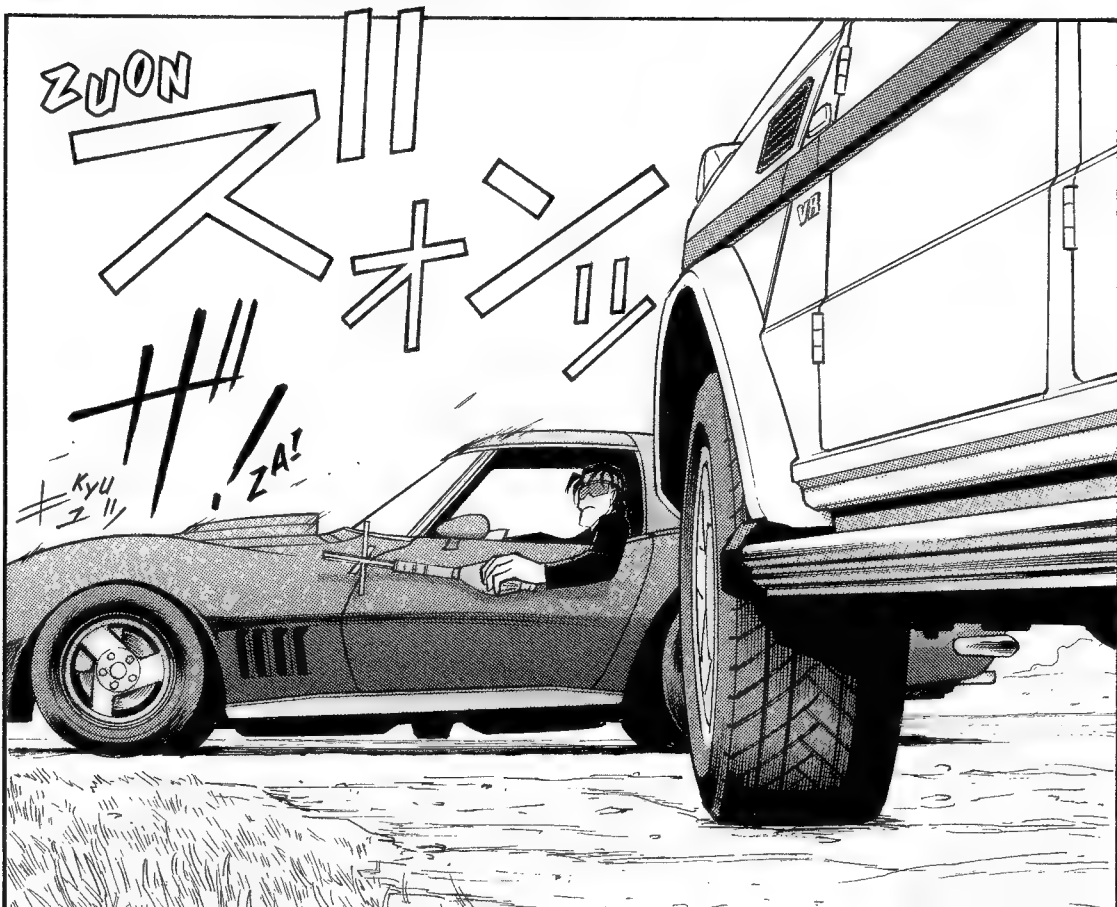
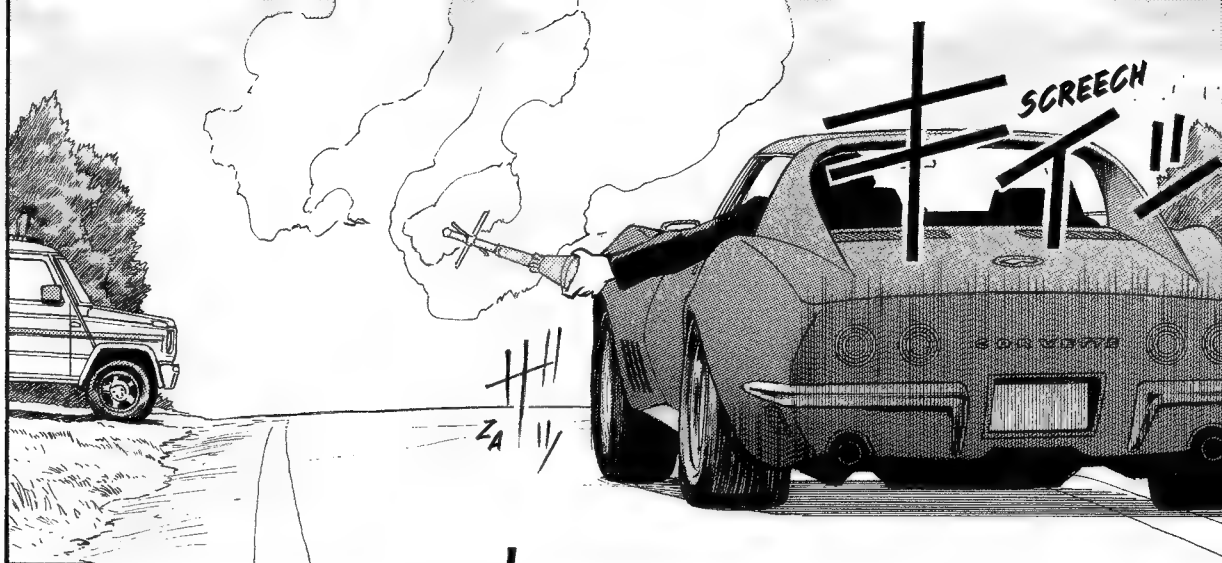














AND
THAT EVEN
THOUGH
IT'S FUEL
BURNED
OUT...



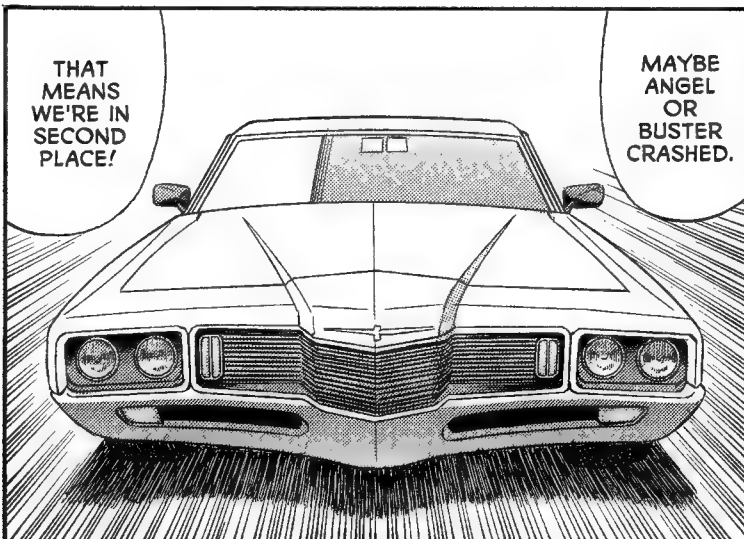
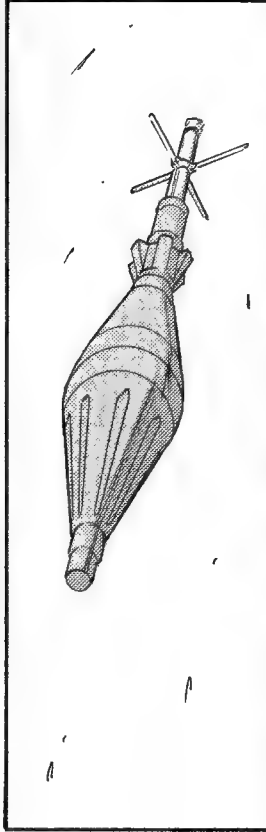
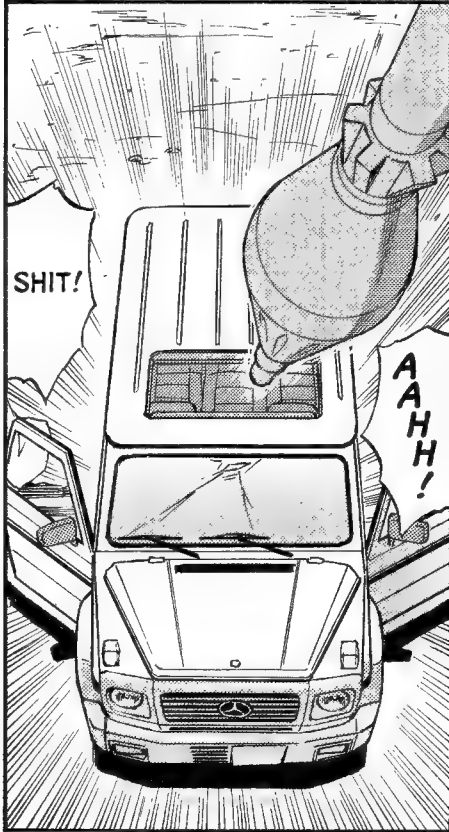
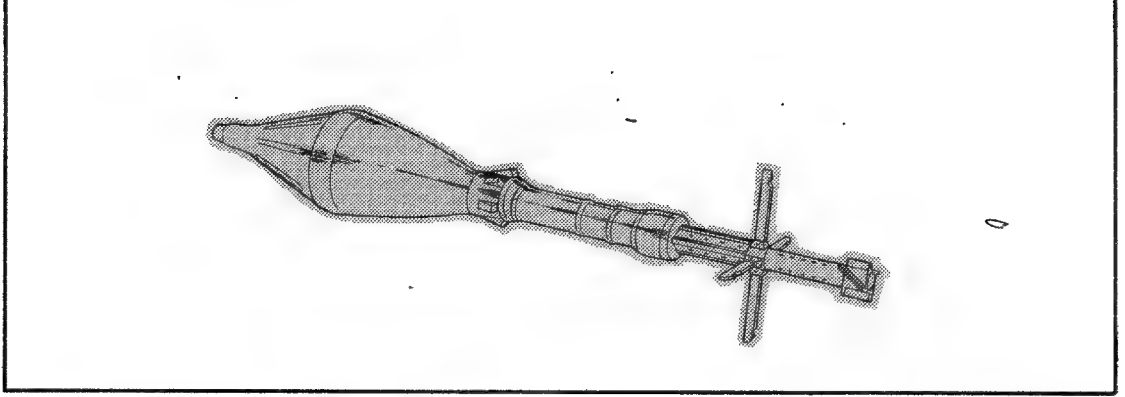
EVEN
I KNOW
THAT THE
FUSE ON
THIS WEAPON
DOESN'T ARM
UNTIL YOU
LIGHT THE
ROCKET!

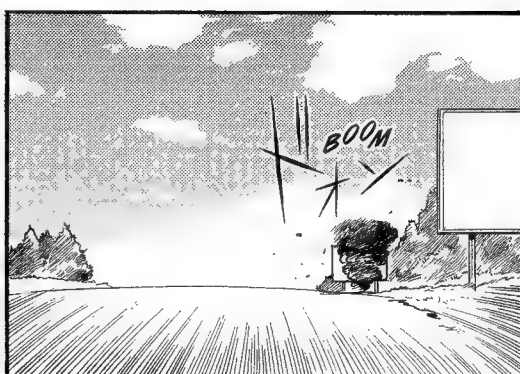


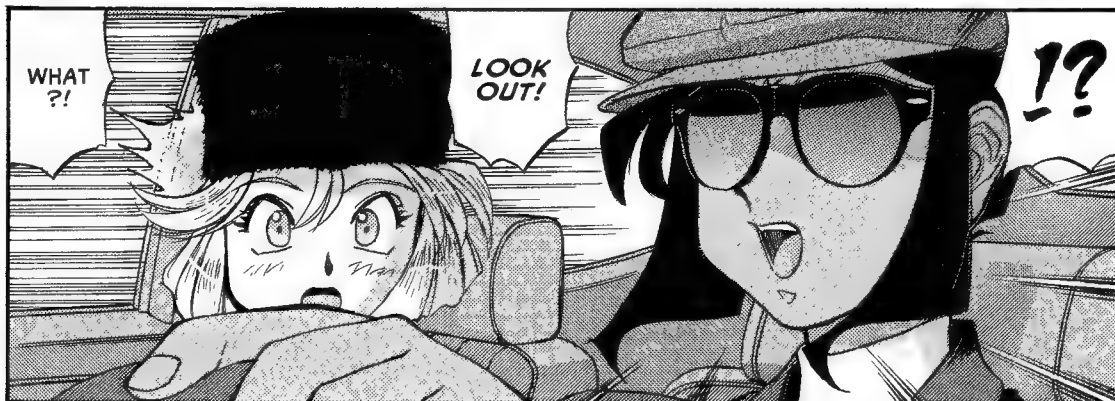
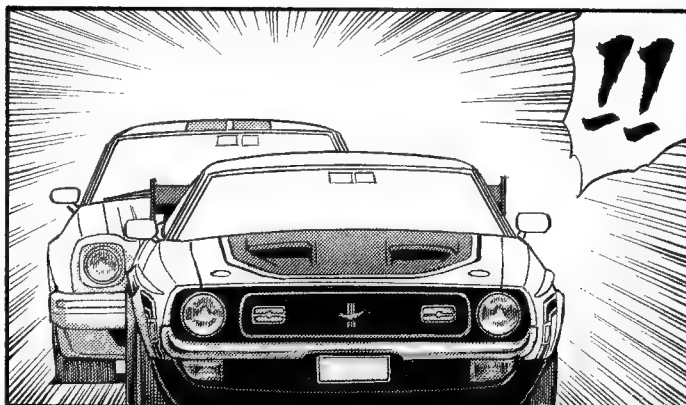
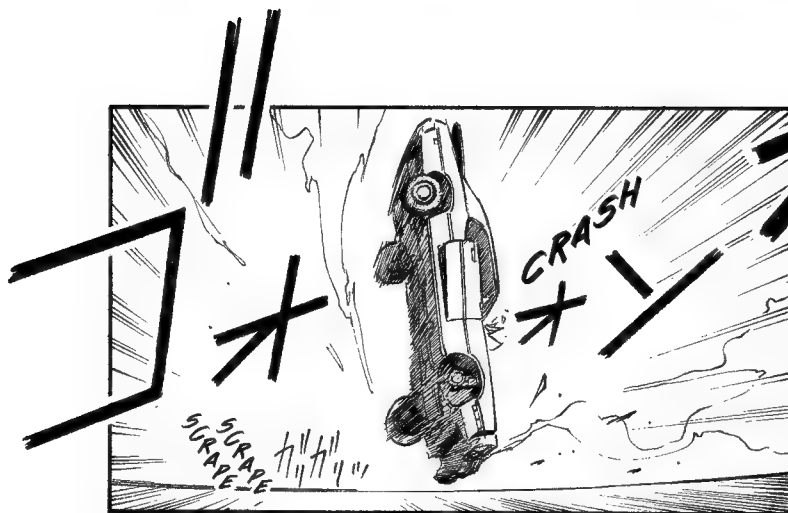
...
...
...!!

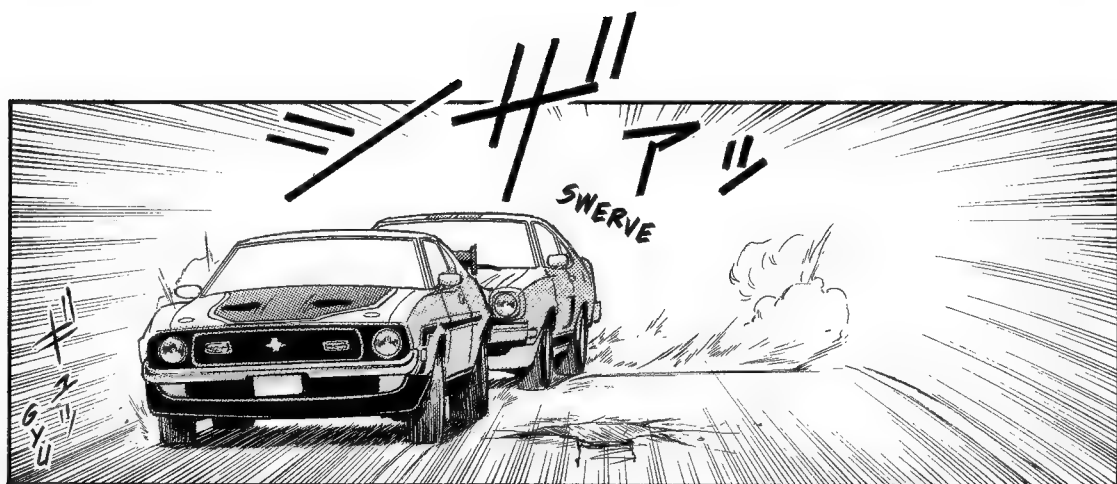


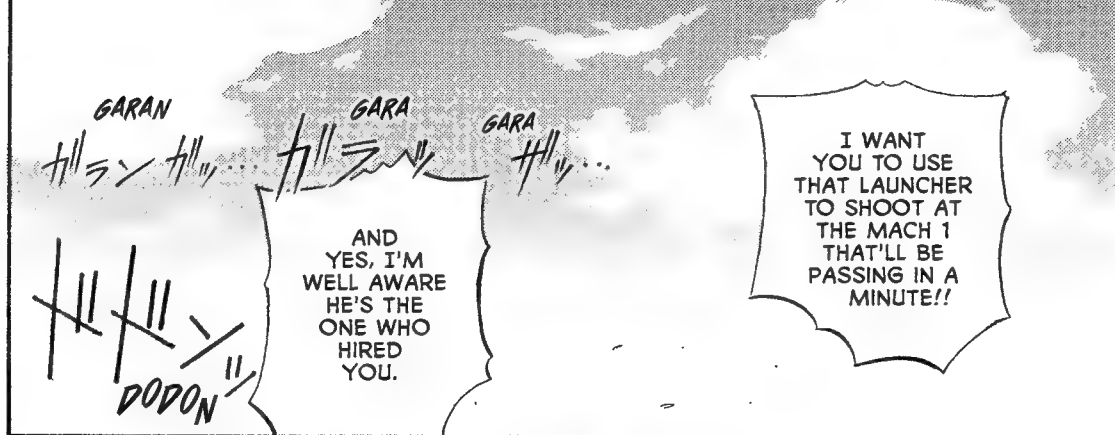
...IT'S
STILL
LIVE!





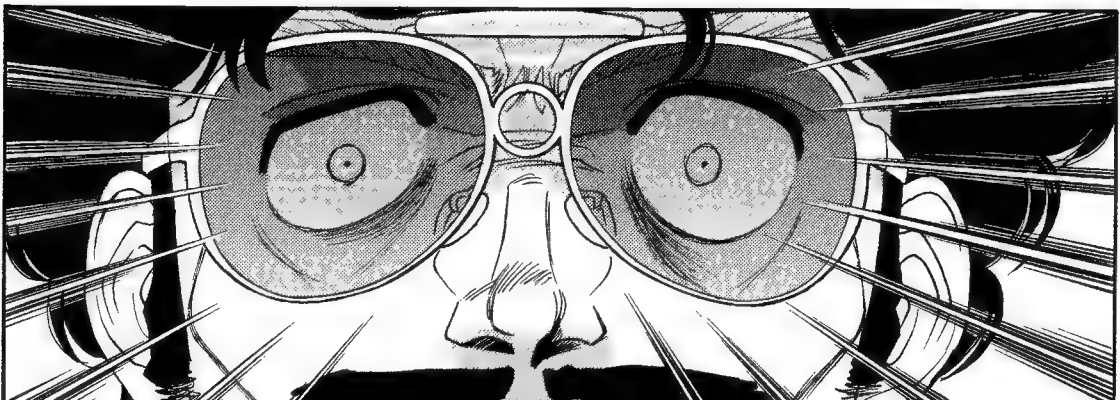
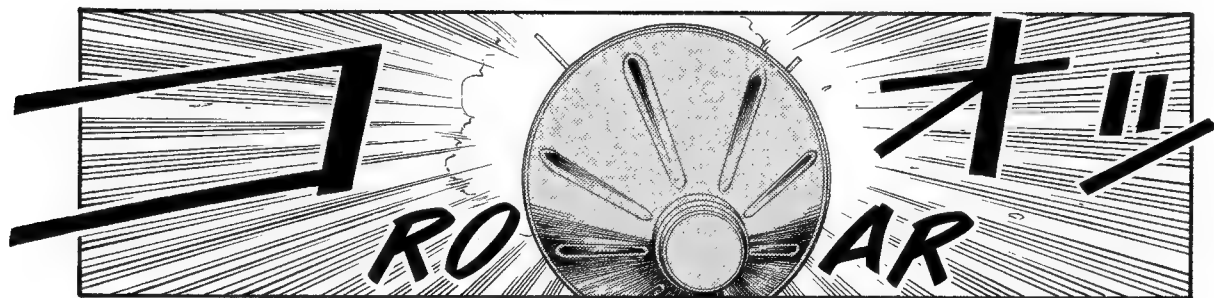
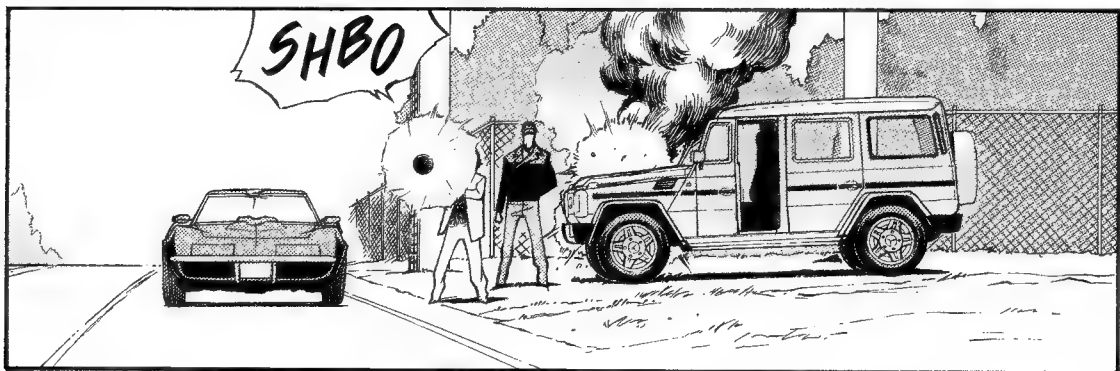
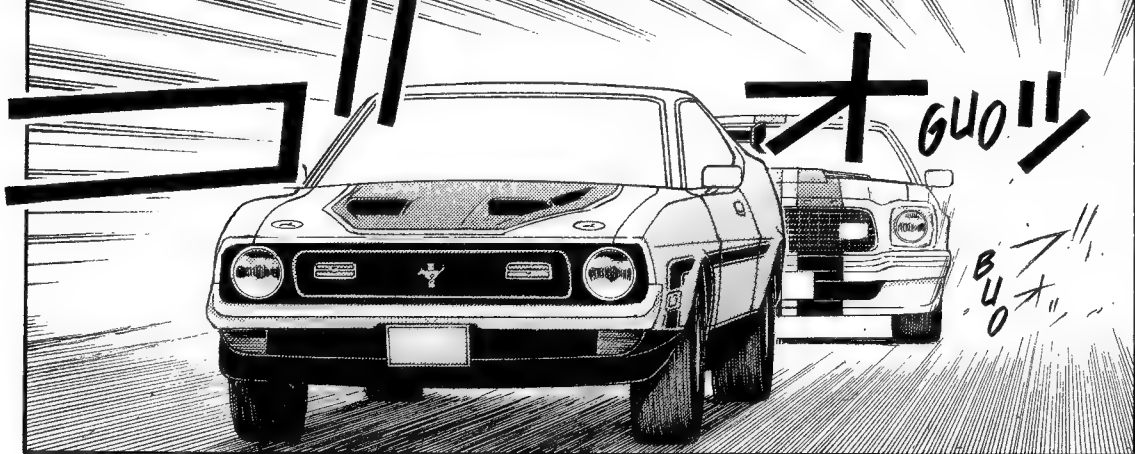


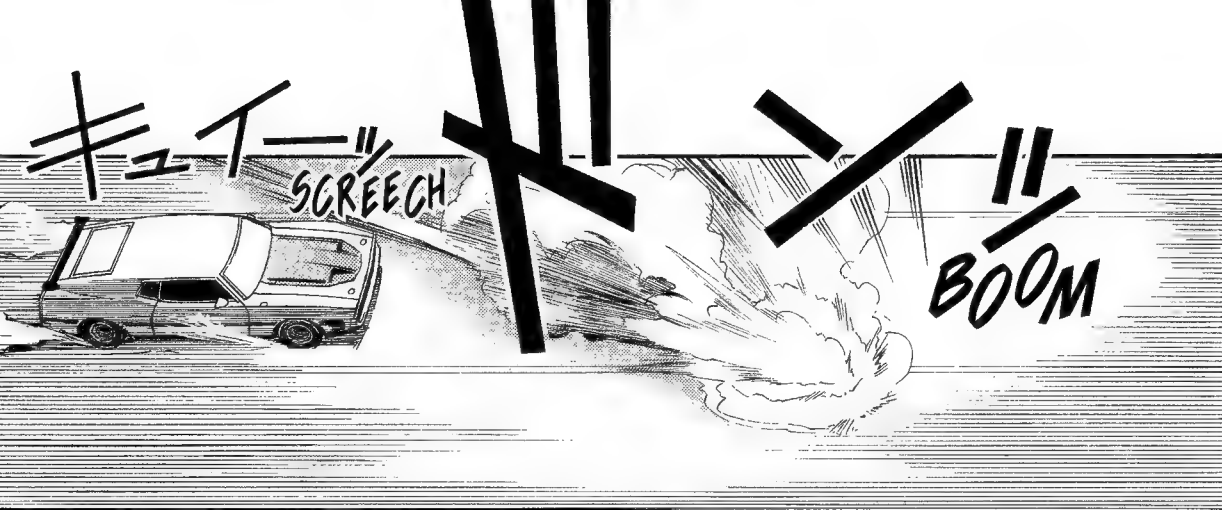




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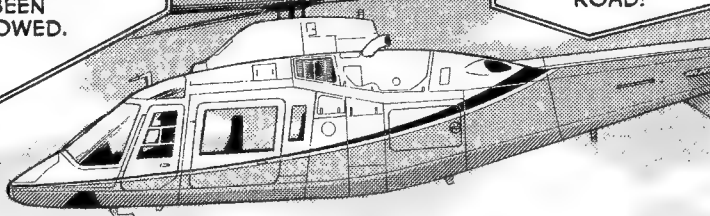


THERE'RE SOME
BIG PROBLEMS
DOWN THERE!
THERE'S BEEN
EXPLOSIONS! THREE
OF THEM WITH
CLOUDS OF BLACK
SMOKE!



HEY
THERE,
MISS HELI.
WHAT'S UP
WITH THAT
GROUP
BEHIND
ROAD
BUSTER?

THE CORVETTE
IS STOPPED,
AND THE MACH 1
AND KING
COBRA HAVE
BEEN
SLOWED.



ONE CAR NOT
INVOLVED IN THE
RACE IS BURNING
BY THE SIDE
OF THE
ROAD!

WE HAVE
VIDEO
OF
SOME-
THING
FLYING
TOWARDS
THE
CARS.

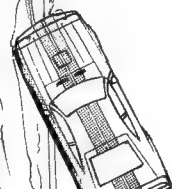


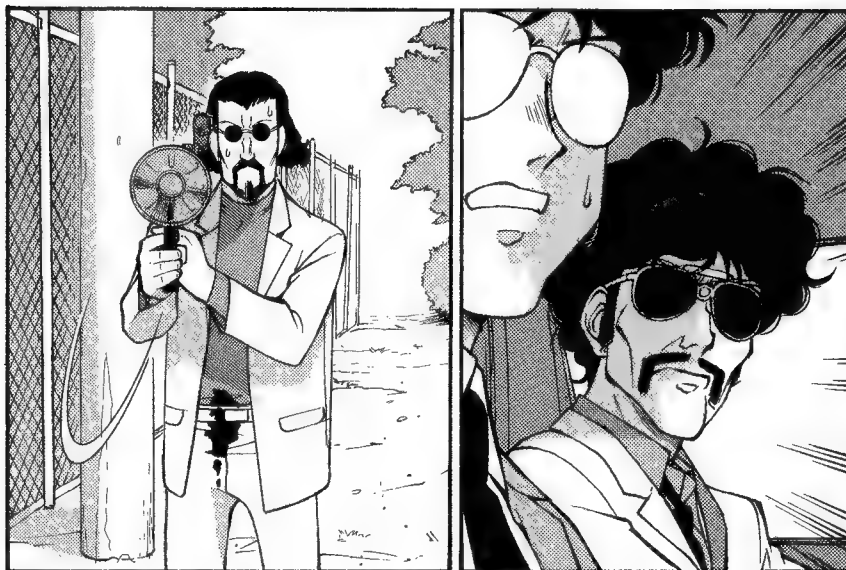
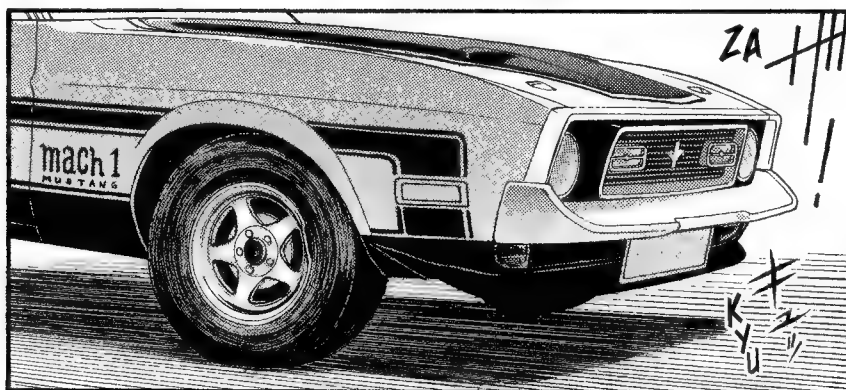
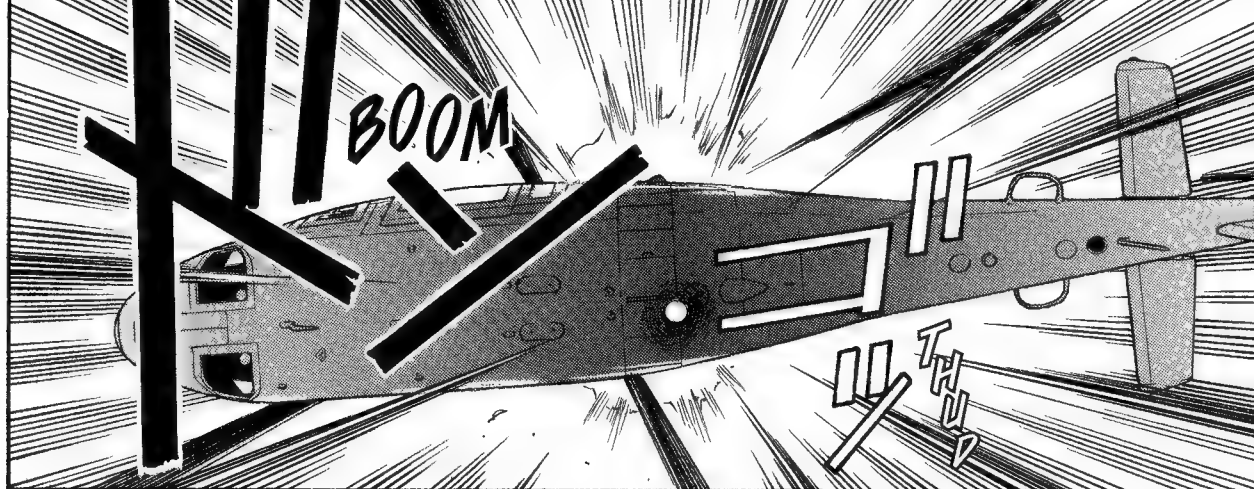
I CAN SEE TWO
LARGE HOLES
IN THE ROAD
WHERE THE CARS
ARE
STOPPED.

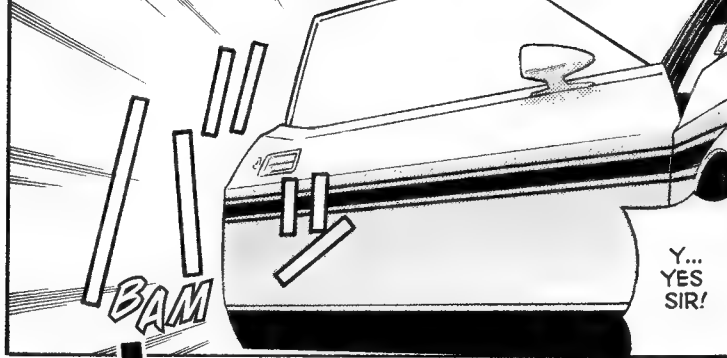


THAT
MUST BE
WHAT'S
SLOWING
EVERY-
THING
DOWN.

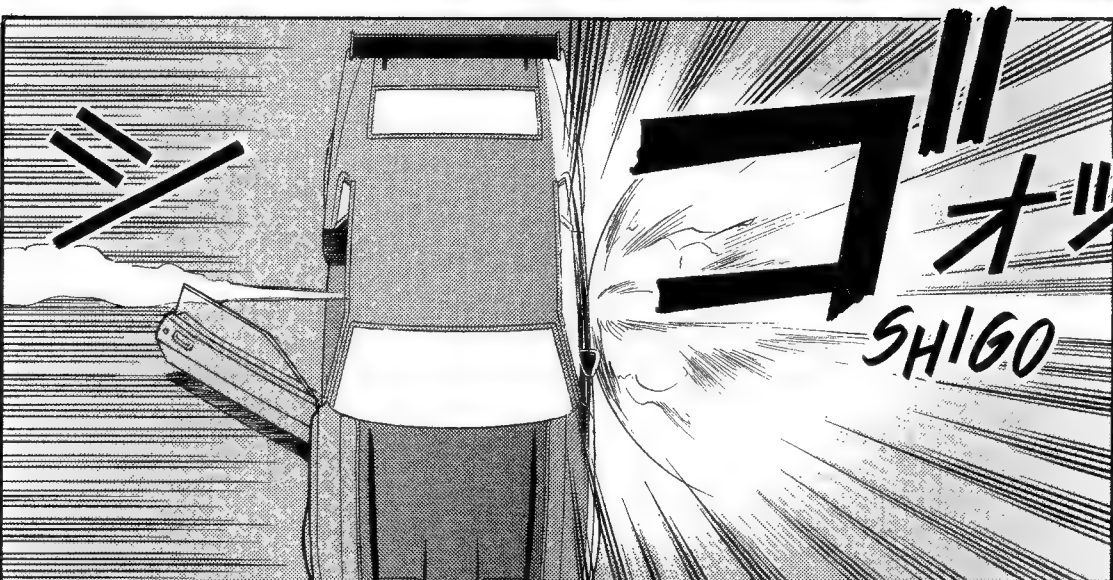
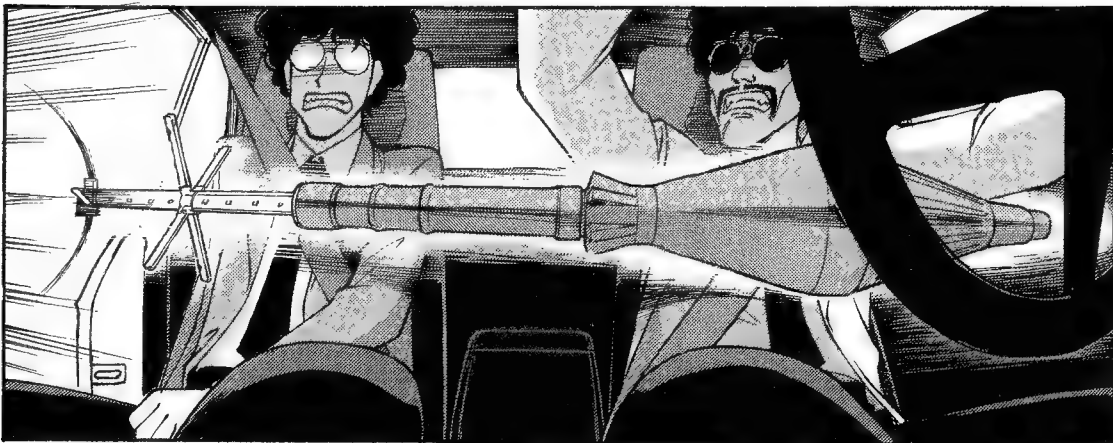
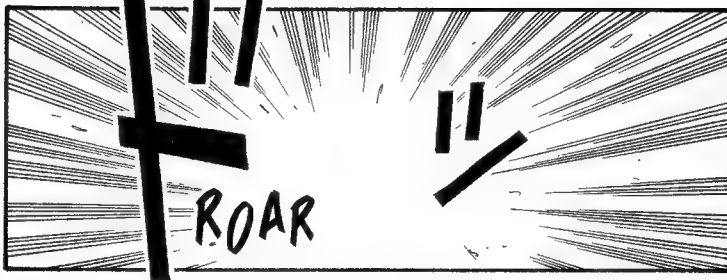
THE THIRD
PLACE
THUNDERBIRD
CRASHED. I
WONDER IF
THEIR
CAMERA'S
STILL
WORKING?

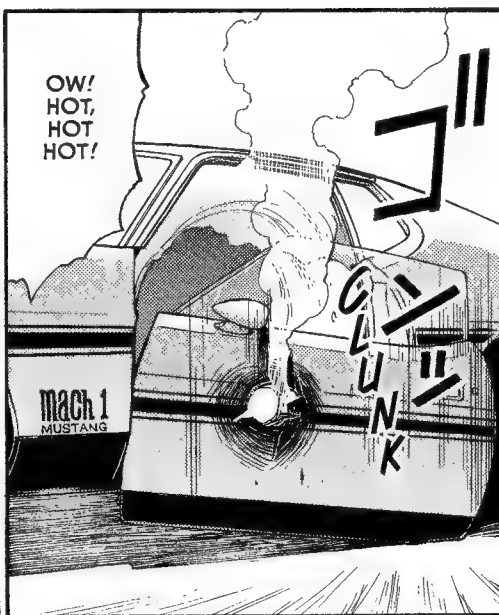
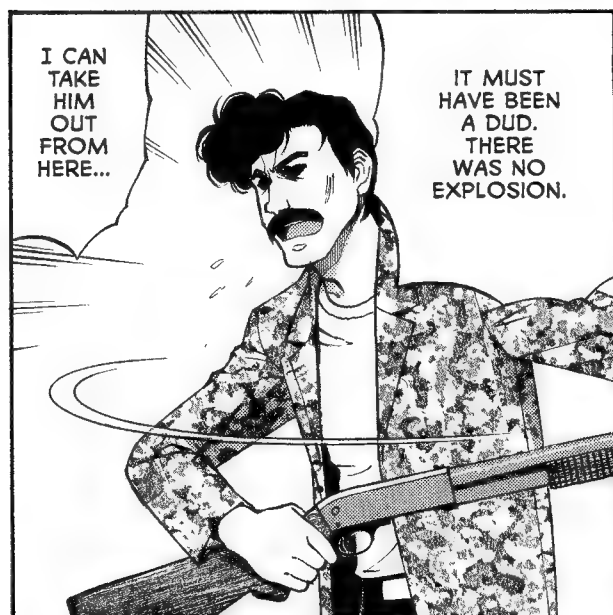
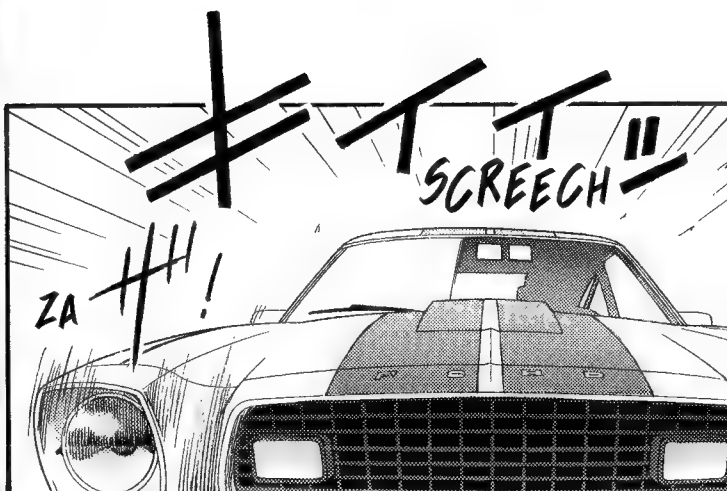


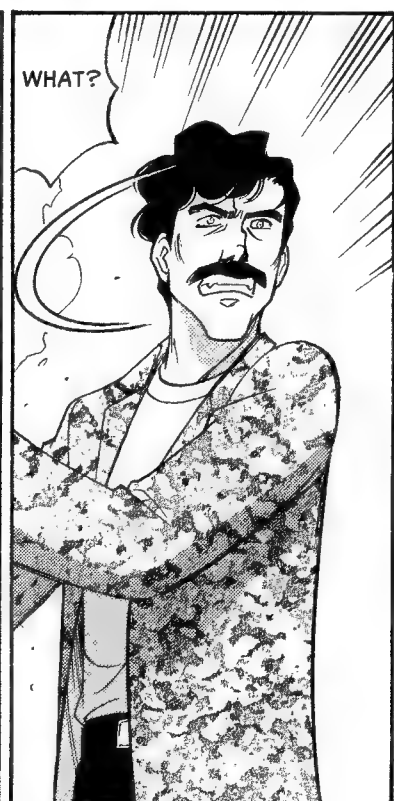
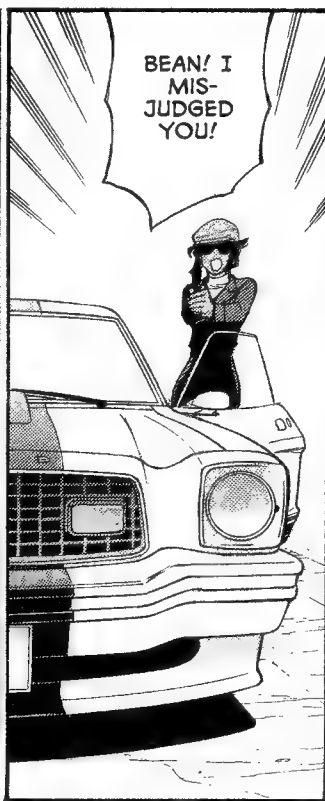
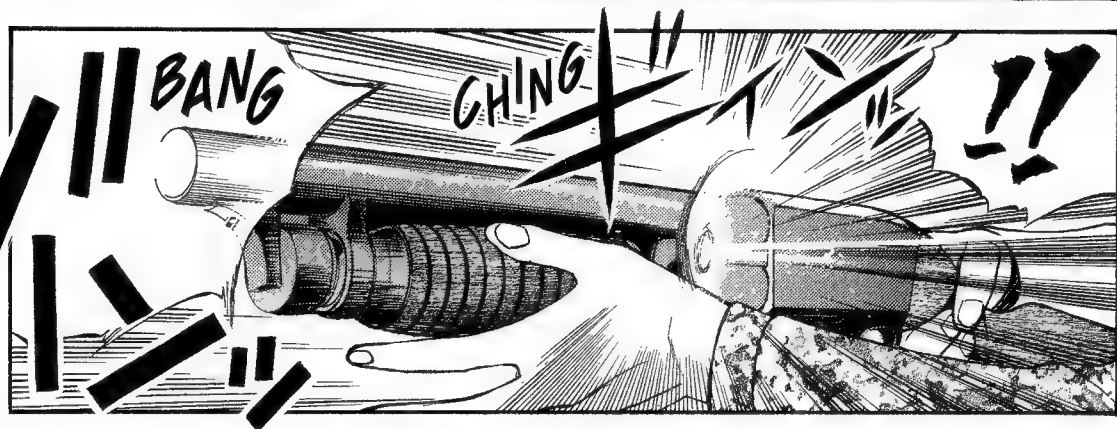
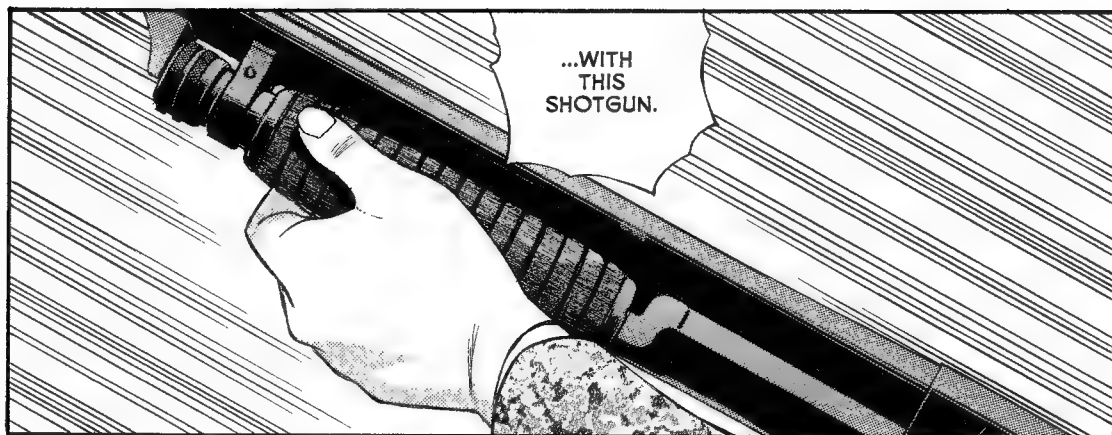


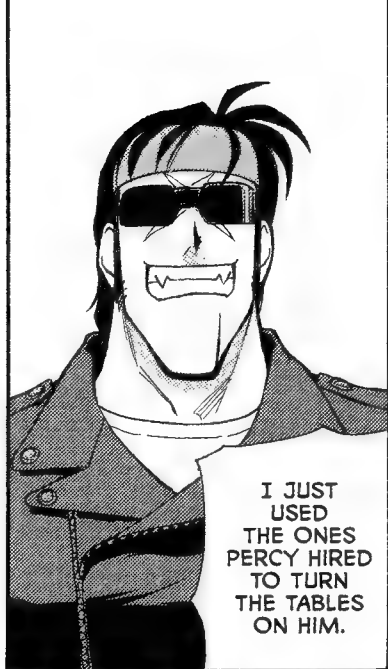


OPEN
THE
DOOR!

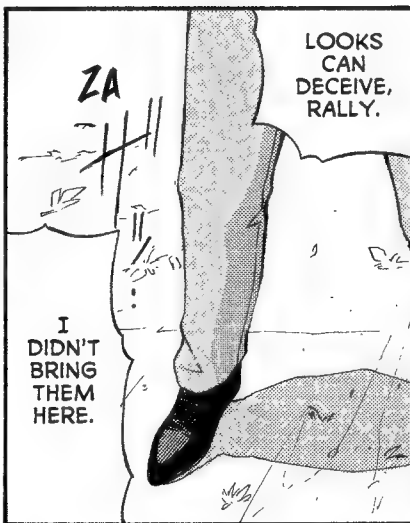








I JUST
USED
THE ONES
PERCY HIRED
TO TURN
THE TABLES
ON HIM.



I
DIDN'T
BRING
THEM
HERE.

LOOKS
CAN
DECEIVE,
RALLY.



WHO'S
THAT
WOMAN?



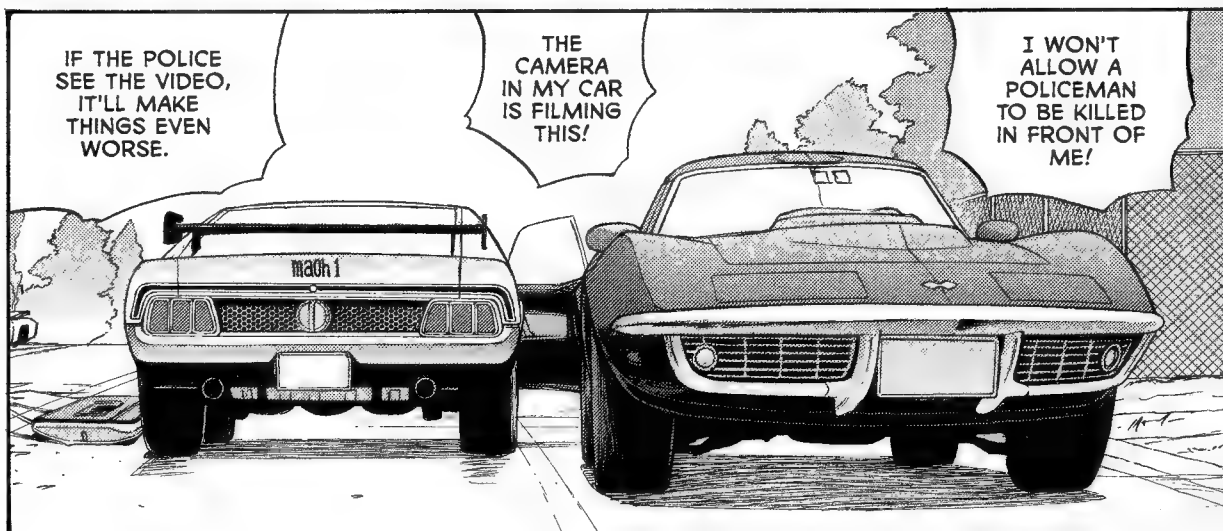
I RELY
ON
COOPER-
ATION
WITH
THE
POLICE!

I'M A
BOUNTY
HUNTER!



HE'S
GOT
IT
COM-
ING.

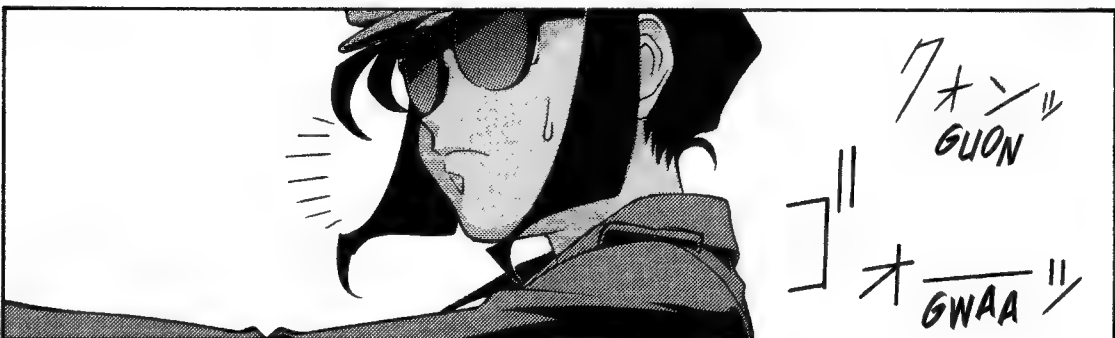
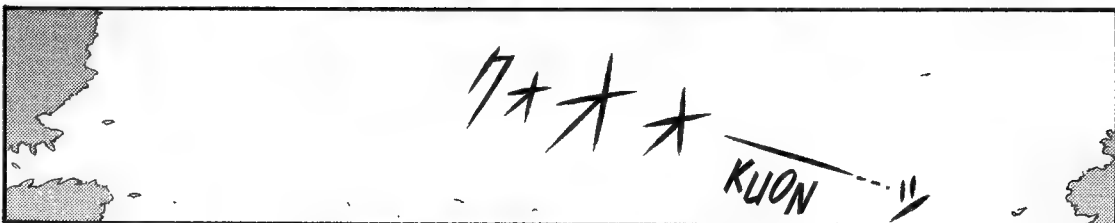
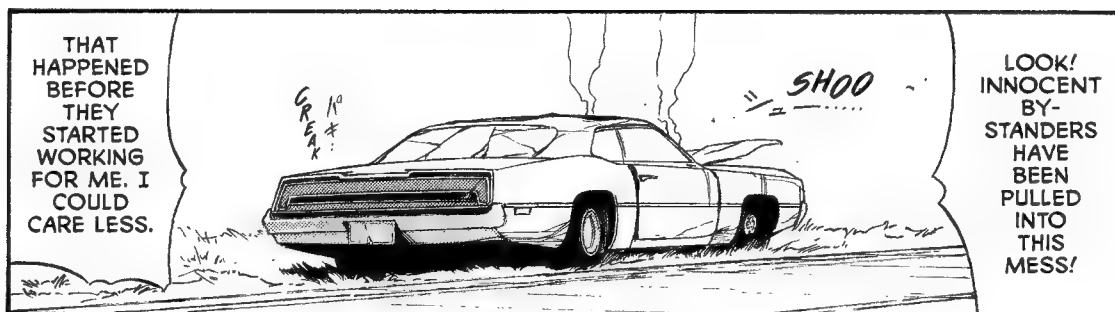
I'LL DEAL OUT MY
JUSTICE AND KILL
THE COP WHO
HIRED THESE TWO
TO KILL
ME.

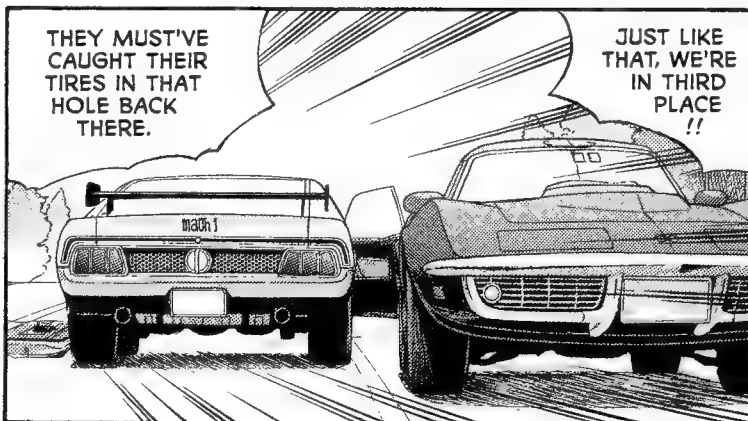
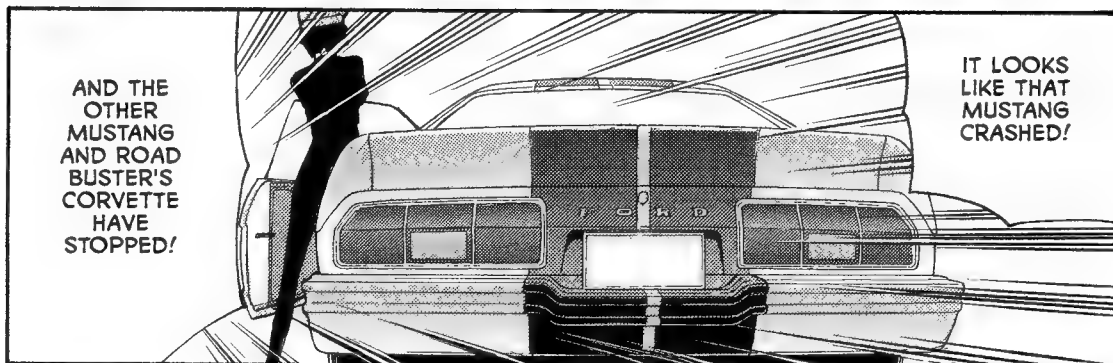
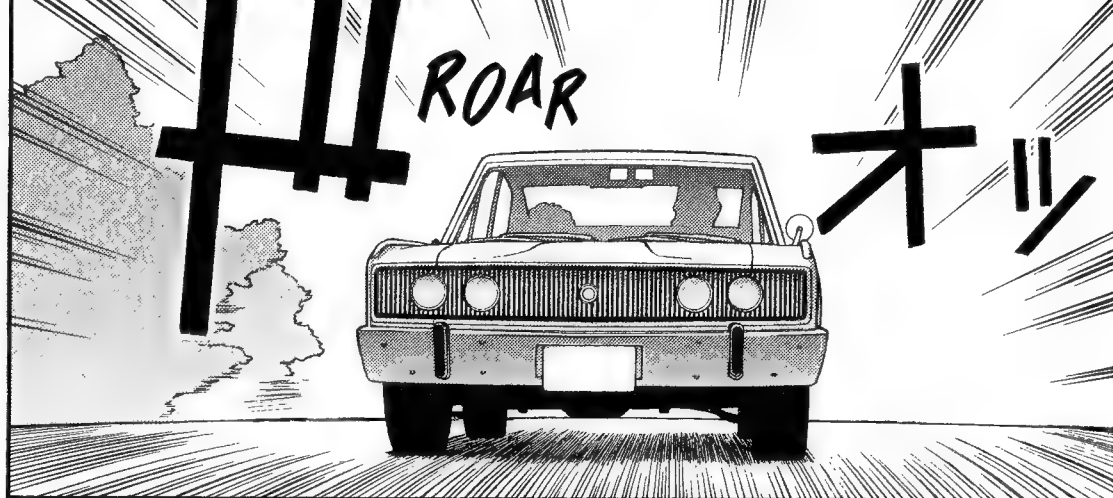


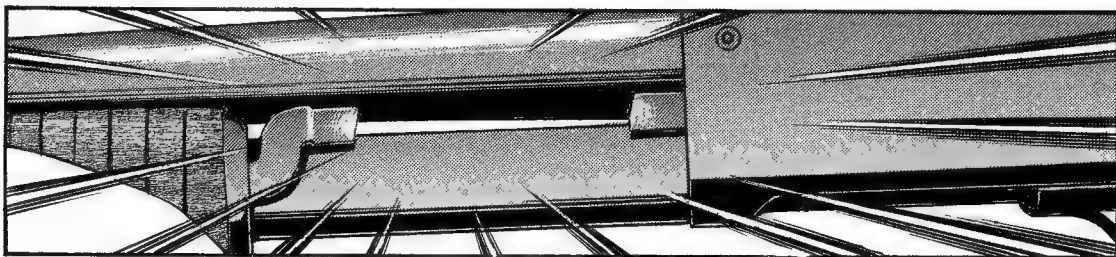
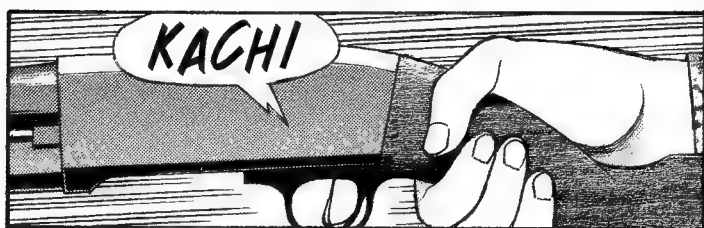
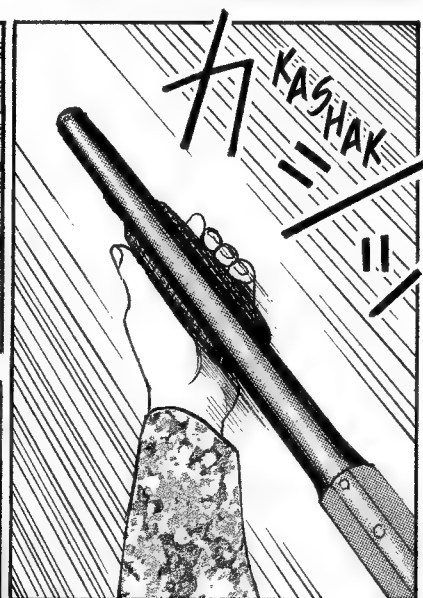
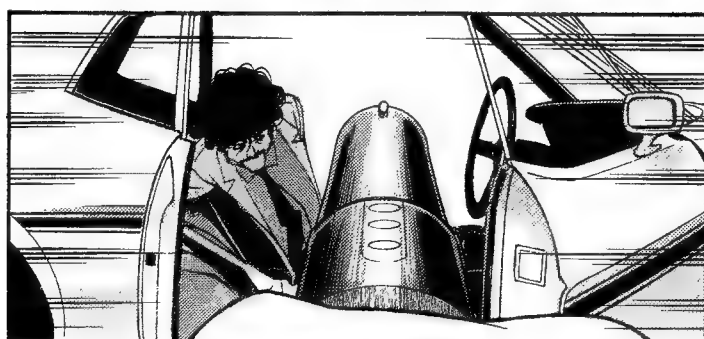
IF THE POLICE
SEE THE VIDEO,
IT'LL MAKE
THINGS EVEN
WORSE.

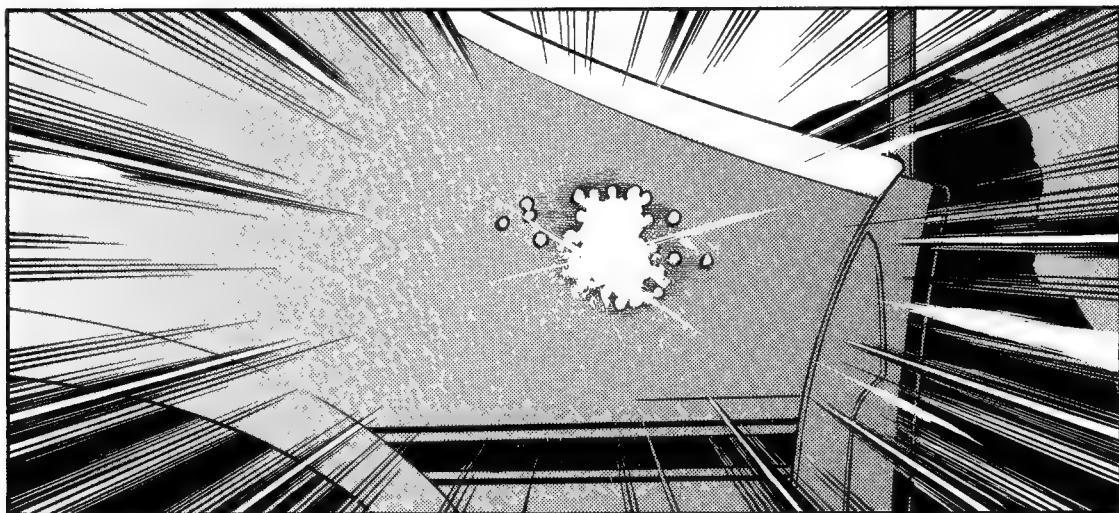
THE
CAMERA
IN MY CAR
IS FILMING
THIS!

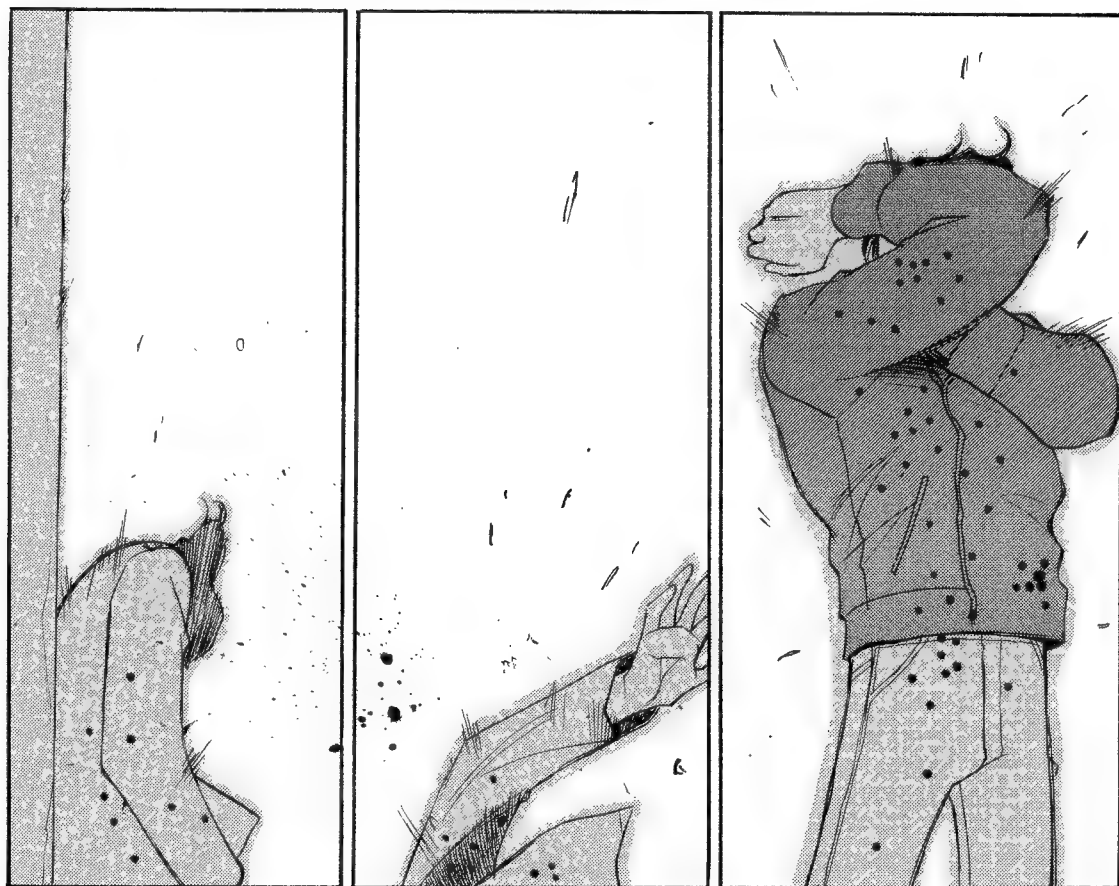
I WON'T
ALLOW A
POLICEMAN
TO BE KILLED
IN FRONT OF
ME!

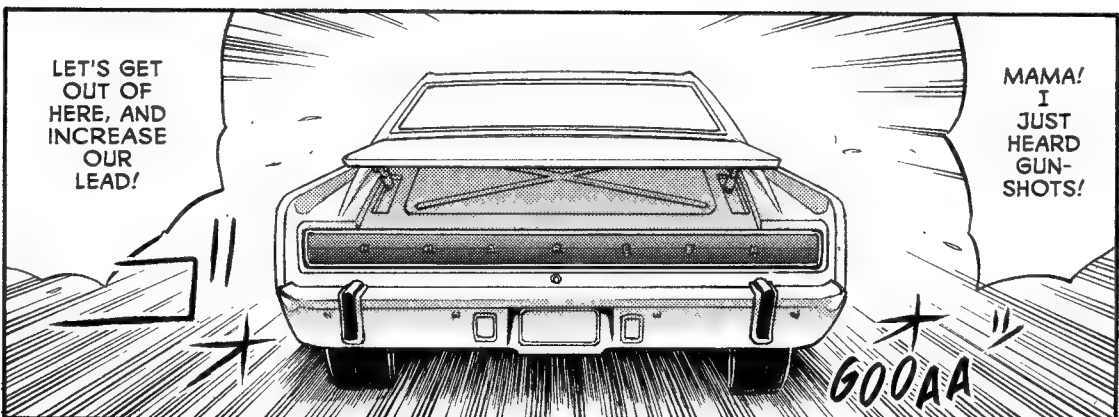






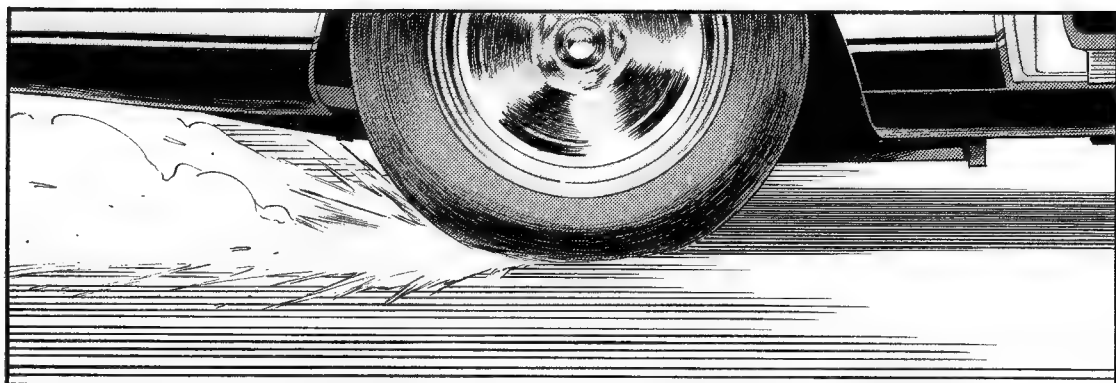
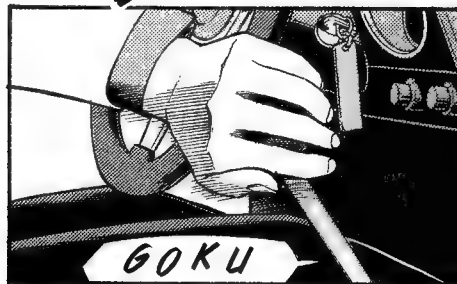


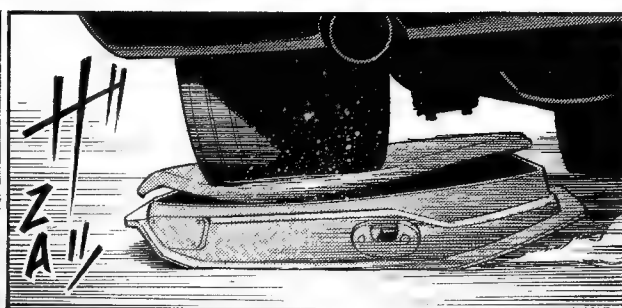


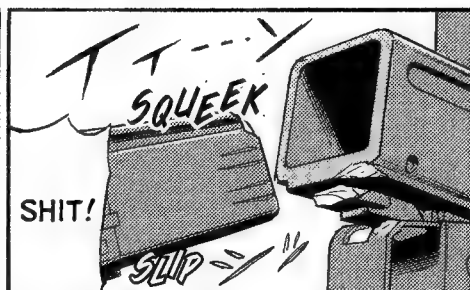
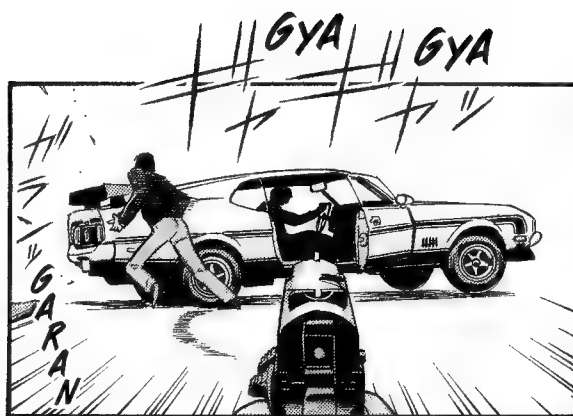


CHAPTER 26 **STALLED!**













THE
CAMERA'S
CAUGHT
TOO MUCH
ALREADY.

JUST
WHAT
I WAS
THINK-
ING.



HOW ABOUT
FORGETTING
HIM AND
GETTING
BACK INTO
THE RACE?!

BEAN!



IT WAS
NEVER
MY PLAN
TO
BECOME
A
FUGITIVE
COP
KILLER!

HE MAY
BE A
DIRTY
COP, BUT
THEY'D
STILL
BRING
OUT THE
FULL
FORCE
TO FIND
ME.



NO,
IT'S
NOT.

THEY WERE
ORIGINALLY
HIRED BY
PERCY TO
KILL *ME*.



HIRING SOMEONE
TO KILL IS THE
SAME AS KILLING
YOURSELF!

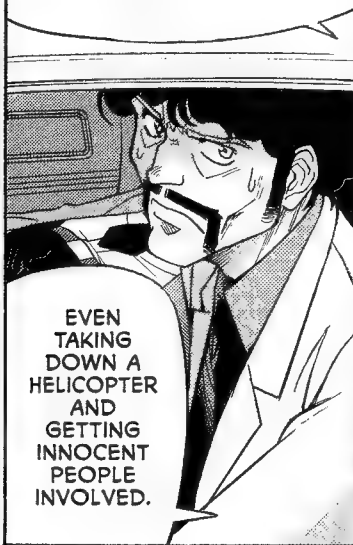


IF ONLY THOSE
TWO FOOLS HAD
DONE THEIR
JOB, EVERYTHING
WOULD'VE
WORKED OUT!

IT WOULD HAVE BEEN GREAT TO WATCH THE POLICE LOSE FACE OVER THAT ONE.



IF THEY'D KILLED YOU LIKE I HOPED, THE INVESTIGATION WOULD HAVE FOUND THAT THE DIRTY COP WAS KILLED BY THE SAME HITMEN HE HIRED.



EVEN TAKING DOWN A HELICOPTER AND GETTING INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED.

IT'S TRUE, ISN'T IT?

YOU ALSO GOT THEM THE ROCKET LAUNCHER.



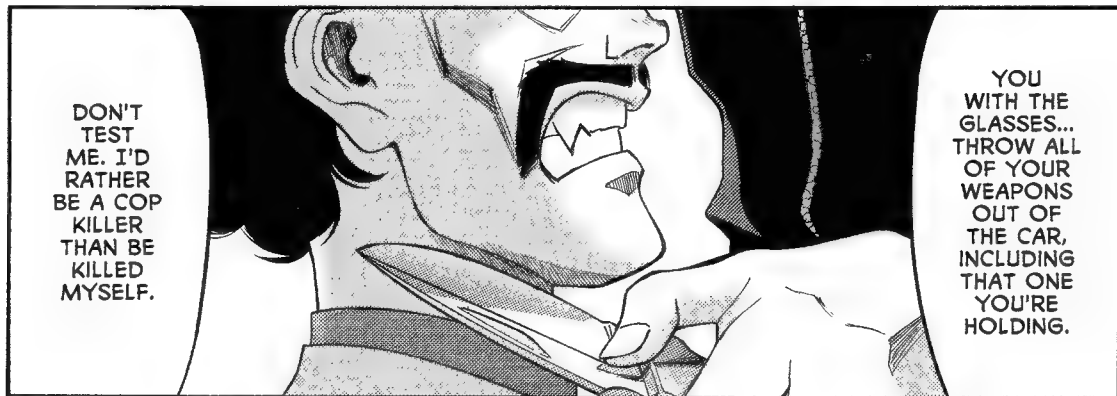
REMEMBER, YOU'RE WELL WITHIN KNIFE RANGE.

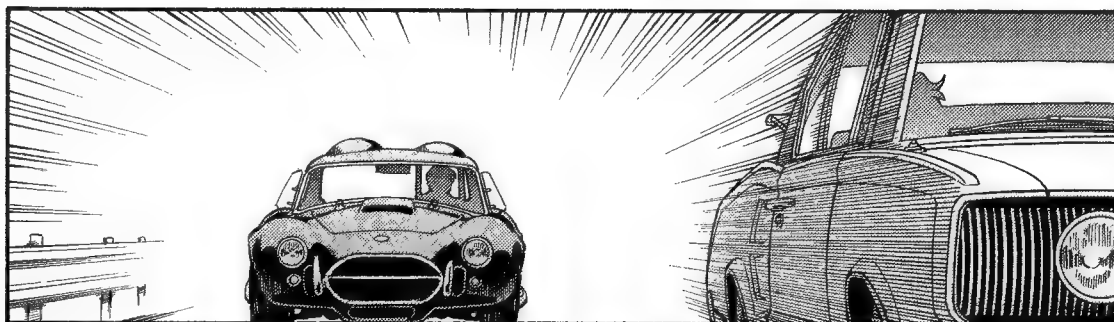
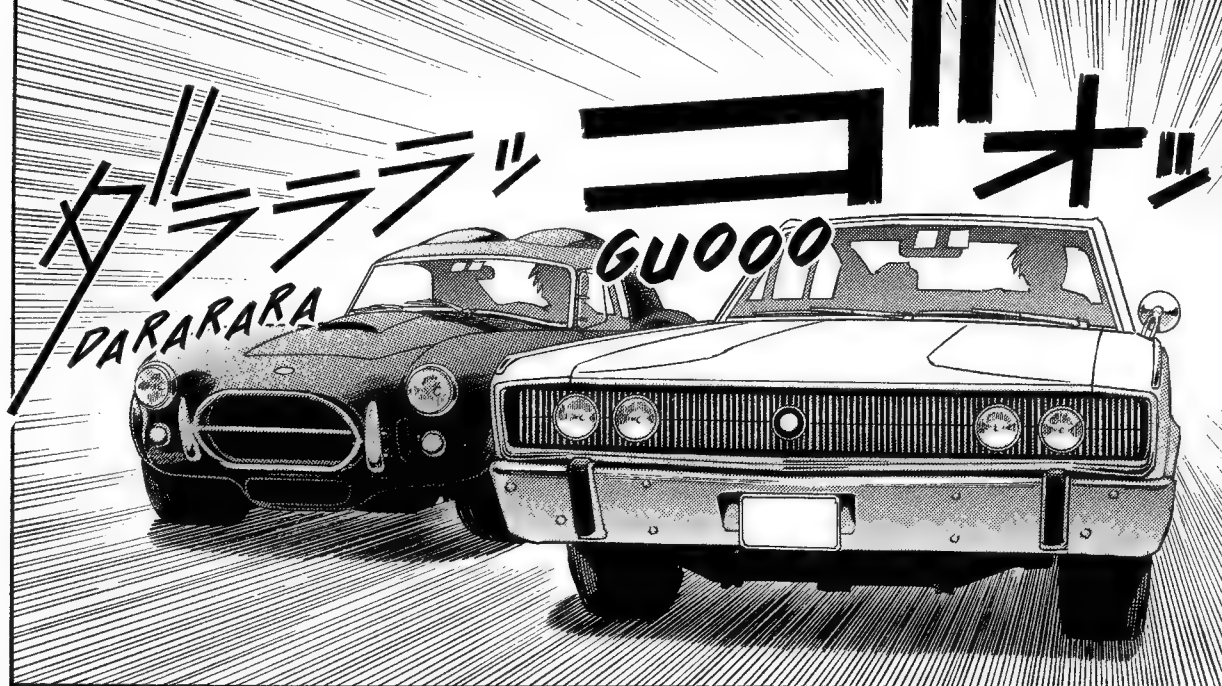
DON'T THINK YOU CAN RELAX NOW THAT THEY'VE BEEN KILLED.

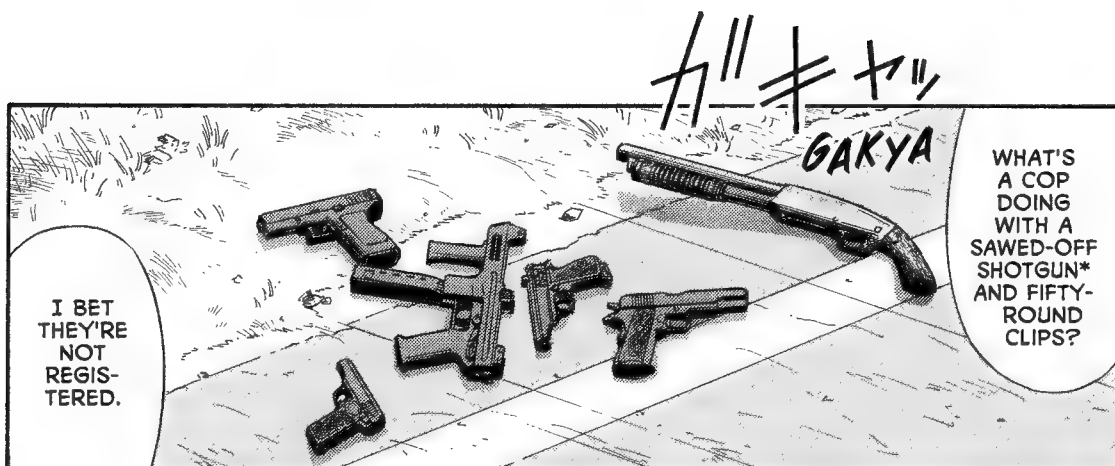


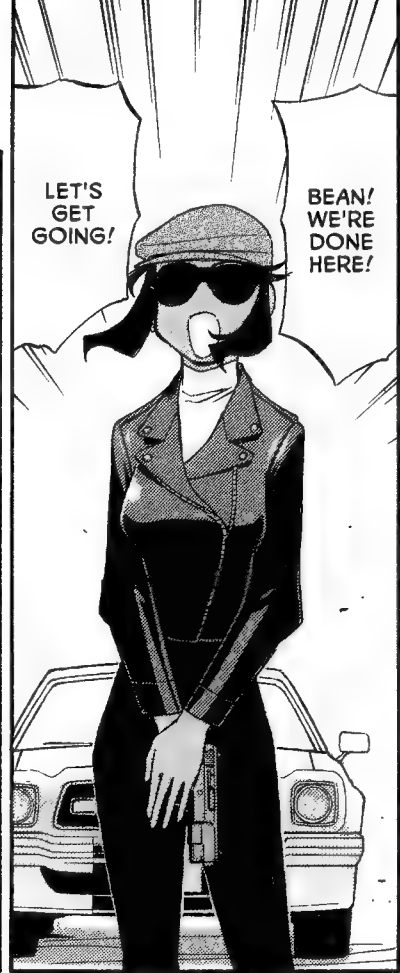
DON'T TEST ME. I'D RATHER BE A COP KILLER THAN BE KILLED MYSELF.

YOU WITH THE GLASSES... THROW ALL OF YOUR WEAPONS OUT OF THE CAR, INCLUDING THAT ONE YOU'RE HOLDING.









I SAVE MY
JOB! YOU SAVE
YOUR MONEY!
WE BOTH GET
WHAT WE WANT!

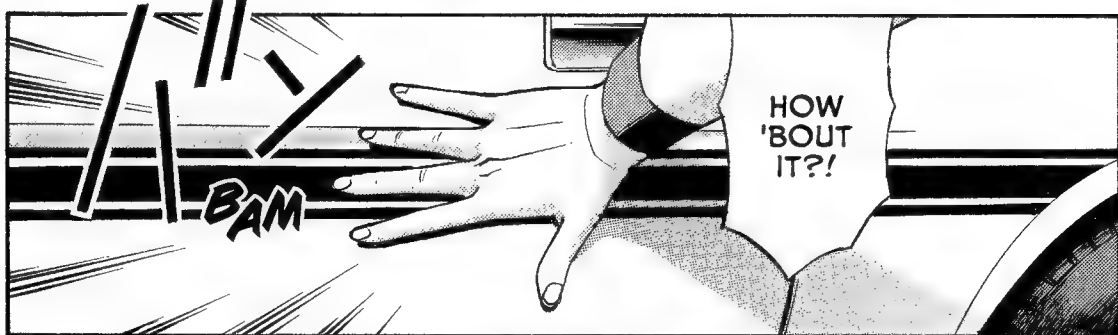
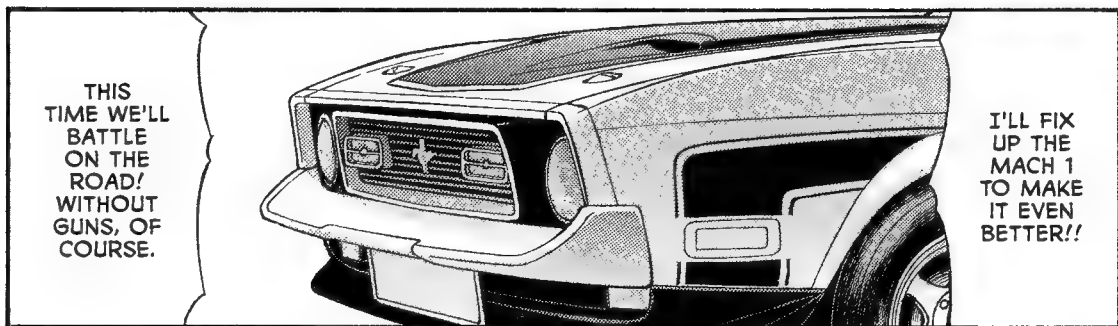


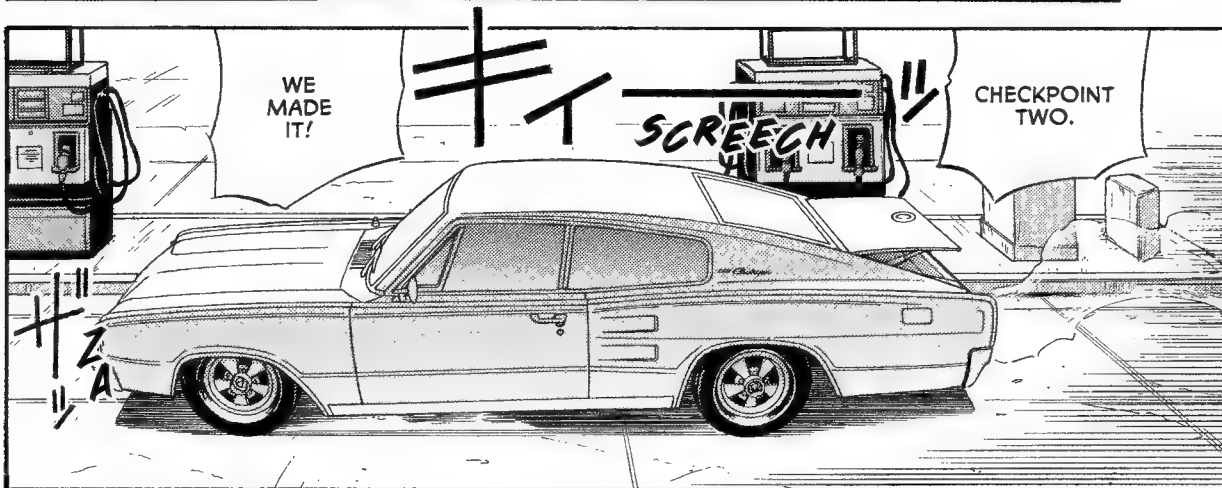
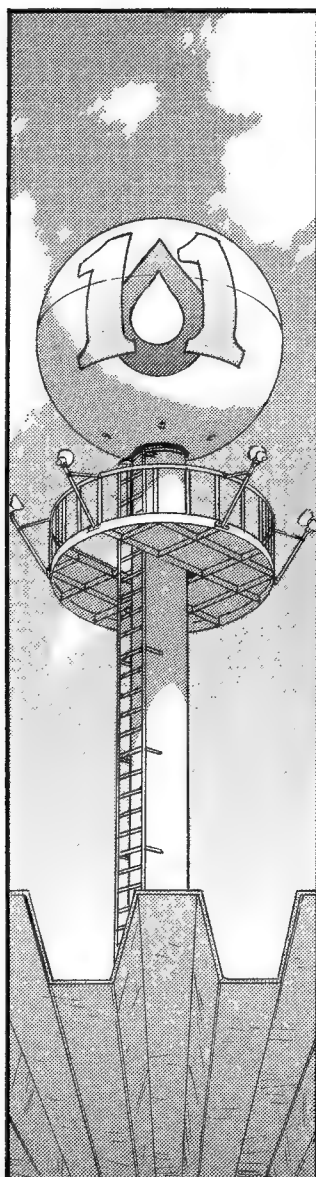
AND
WE CAN
RACE
AGAIN
LATER!

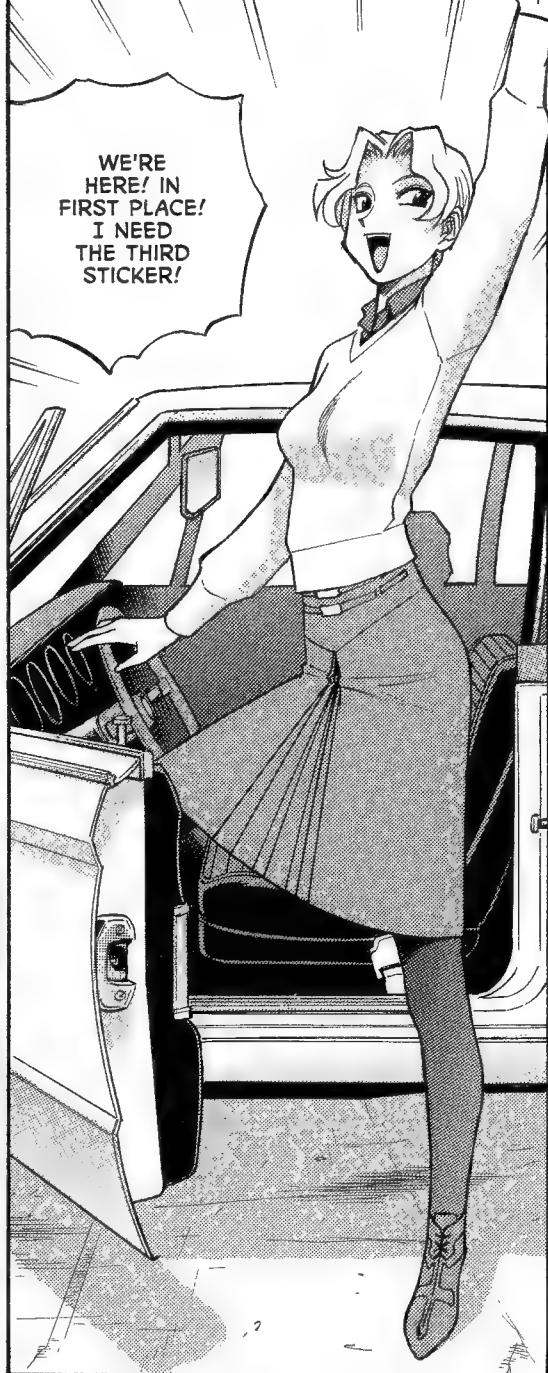
LET'S MAKE
A DEAL!!
HELP ME
GET THOSE
TWO
BODIES
OUT OF
HERE!

IN RETURN,
I WON'T
FREEZE YOUR
ACCOUNTS
UNTIL YOU
GET THE
MONEY OUT
AND GIVE
THE GO
AHEAD!









WORD THAT
WE WERE ON
TO THEM WAS
SENT VIA
PIRATE RADIO.

UNDERSTOOD!
WE'LL LOOK
FOR CARS WITH
THE TWO
STICKERS FROM
THE AIR!



THIS IS
HEAD-
QUARTERS
TO
COPTER 16.
THE OTHER
CARS
FROM THE
RACE
HAVE ALL
DISPERSED.

WITH A
CHILD
IN THE
CAR.
SHAME
ON YOU!

I DIDN'T
DO
ANYTHING
BUT
SPEED!

ROY! WE'VE
BEEN TOLD
TO STOP USING
THE RADIO
JAMMER.

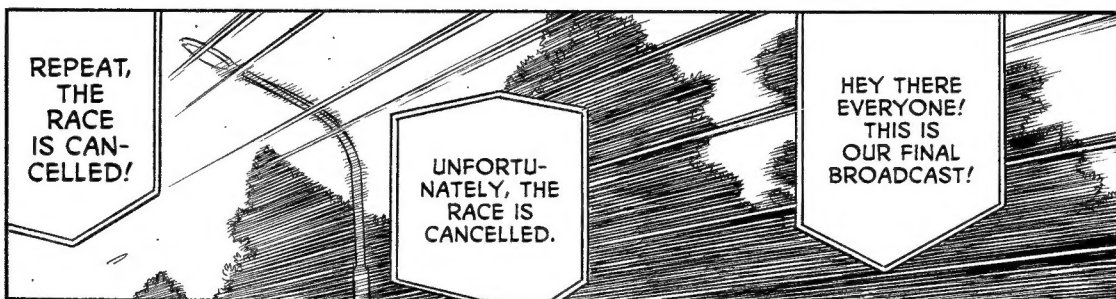
I CAN'T
GET
THROUGH
TO RALLY.



REPEAT,
THE
RACE
IS CAN-
CELLED!

UNFORTU-
NATELY, THE
RACE IS
CANCELLED.

HEY THERE
EVERYONE!
THIS IS
OUR FINAL
BROADCAST!



...ROAD
BUSTER!

LET'S
START
OUR
RACE...



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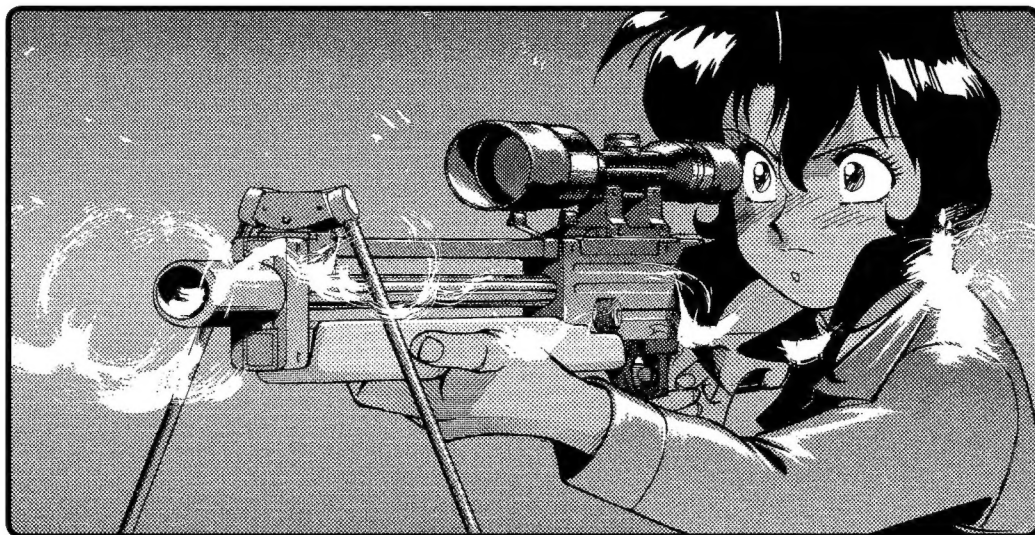
BULLET TRIVIA—EIGHTH SHOT—MAGNUMS HAVE POWER, BUT . . .

. . . I bet those of you who play video games, read manga, or watch TV or movies think that a .44 magnum and a .357 magnum are more powerful than a rifle.

But you'd be wrong! .44 magnums are weaker than even small caliber rifles.

Most rounds for handguns are larger than those of rifles, but since the shape of rifle cartridges allows them to hold more gunpowder, even at smaller calibers they have a speed that's twice as fast and they're much more powerful. In terms of the energy, a combat .357 magnum like that used by Python or Daisuke Jigen produces about 600–800 joules. Dirty Harry's .44 magnum has 1000–1500 joules. The most powerful automatic, the 50ae, produces 1600–1700 joules. For rifles, though, 7.62x51 bullets used by earlier generation rifles produced 3000–3300 joules. The most powerful cartridge for a rifle, the 460 Weatherby, can produce up to 8000 joules!

A handgun may seem like the best choice, but a rifle is a better if you're looking for power—even though it may not be as manly.





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BULLET TRIVIA—NINTH SHOT—BLANKS

Many movies have scenes where someone is shot only to reveal later that the bullets were actually blanks and the whole thing was staged to fool others. In fact, though, if you put blanks in an automatic, you'll never get to the second shot.

No matter which automatic system is used, the gas from the blank will completely exit the barrel, meaning that not enough gas pressure remains inside to set up the next action. This can be fixed by extending the barrel, cutting screw guides, and attaching a silencer, which will provide enough resistance to retain some of the gas and allow the next shot.

If you want to fool those around you by replacing your bullets with blanks, it may be best to use a revolver.

This problem can also be solved by using plastic bullets like those used in training, but these still pack enough power to kill, making them more difficult to handle.



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Rally Vincent and Minnie-May Hopkins are two regular American girls. Regular American girls who own a gun shop and might have dabbled in prostitution, respectively. And who happen to be a crack shot and an explosives expert, respectively.

These might be odd skills for American girls, but these two happen to be Chicago's top bounty hunters. Rally can shoot the trigger off a gun from a good distance, and May generally wreaks havoc with explosions and cuteness. And together, with some very useful friends and associates, they make up the Gunsmith Cats.

Burst finds our ladies back at work, back in action, and ... back in trouble. Now presented in the favored Japanese, right-to-left format, *Gunsmith Cats: Burst* aims to please.

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